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## Ex-farmer: End \$1,000-a-day fine

### Seagulls gone, water cleaner

By Rita Savard

Richard Nabydoski, the farmer who has sold his livestock and agreed to sell his farmland following pressure from the town, will ask health officials to stop fining him \$1,000 a day.

The fine was instituted to convince Nabydoski to clean up his land, which was allegedly attracting hundreds of seagulls to his residential neighborhood and polluting a nearby brook. Since Nabydoski sold the last of his beef cattle in February, the seagulls — whose presence launched a neighborhood effort to close his farm — quickly fled. Coliform bacteria counts also have dropped to meet state health standards and the odor of livestock has disappeared.

While significant changes have been made to the former farm at 76 Blanchard Road, court-ordered fines of \$1,000 a day continue to add up. On Monday, Aug. 15, Nabydoski along with his lawyer, Raymond Paczkowski, will ask the Board of Health to consider abating the fine, now totaling \$335,000 since it was first issued on Sept. 9, 2004.

"We have seen no birds

(seagulls) since the farm has closed," said Everett Penney, town health director, who has returned to Nabydoski's property at least once each month to test water from Pinnacle Brook, which runs through the farm. "I have seen some of his neighbors on different occasions and they have reported the same results."

Residents of the neighboring developments on Lenox Circle and Devonshire Place complained for months to town health officials that the seagulls attracted to Nabydoski's cattle feed were roosting on their roofs and defecating on their homes.

On Jan. 11, after the courts reinforced the Board of Health's decision to fine, the Nabydoski farm was shut down.

Since then, five of the seven monthly water tests met the state Department of Public Health's regulatory standards for surface water regulations, Penney said.

Once Nabydoski makes his request before the board on Monday evening, Penney said, the matter will be discussed with the town's special legal

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## REPEAT ARSONISTS



A boy views the burned hull of a popular paddleboat at Poms Pond. Last week, vandals struck the pond twice, on Wednesday and Friday evenings.

PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

## Arson: Wind out of their sails

### Poms Pond boats torched on two different days; regatta canceled

By Rita Savard and Judy Wakefield

Within 48 hours of torching a paddleboat at Poms Pond, arsonists struck again last Friday, setting two sailboats on fire and sending others adrift. The arson prompted the immediate shut-down of the weekend's regatta festivities.

Approximately \$3,000 worth of damage was left in the wake of Friday evening's vandalism spree, just two days after the pond's most popular children's vessel, a \$600 paddleboat, was charred beyond repair. Staff at Poms fear vandals will strike again unless police tighten security checks at the town's summer swimming hole.

Brian Parker, pond director, said everyone is especially concerned since last week's fires were not the first acts of arson at the pond this summer.

Approximately half an acre of the woods surrounding Poms was singed in June, said Parker. No one was caught for the crime. In July, the equipment shed was ransacked twice, forcing Parker to install bars on the doors. The main building also had to be painted after it was covered in

graffiti. Two weeks ago, Parker arrived one morning to find a motorboat valued around \$2,400 flipped upside down.

The damage has added up to thousands of dollars for repair and maintenance and hundreds of hours of labor, said Parker.

"This continuous spree of destruction is just devastating to us," Parker said after last Wednesday's incident. "Everything we do here is for the kids, and this hurts them too. I'd like

to know why the police haven't taken more of a vested interest in the destruction that's going on here. It doesn't appear that they're making it a priority."

Police said security at Poms was already beefed up prior to last week's fire.

"There are extra patrols in that area," said Lt. Kevin Winters. "We (patrol) on foot and the bike unit goes in. Guys are scheduled to go in right after dark. This was a little unusual

because it was very early that it was called in."

A caller reported seeing smoke in the area at 6:54 p.m. last Wednesday. Police are still searching for the person or people responsible for torching the boat, setting fire to the "No Swimming" sign and cutting the buoys that serve as depth markers for young swimmers.

Friday evening, sometime after closing, vandals returned

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## SUMMERTIME GHOST TOWN?

### Not necessarily, say block party-goers

By Greta Cuyler

It's a frequently asked question: "Does everyone in Andover go away for the summer?"

For Chris and Julie Patten of George Road, the answer is "No." "I would say that most of the people I know go away for one week and take day trips in the summer," says Julie Patten. There were plenty of neighbors in town for the block party she and husband Chris organized and held on July 23, an event for George Street residents and others nearby, especially families new to the neighborhood. "It's really for and about the kids," says Patten. Her small child enjoyed the day's festivities so much that the Pattens were faced with the perennial bedtime question, "Can we do that again tomorrow?" Julie and Chris Patten said they'd do it again in another 364 days.

Linda Blandini of Brady Loop takes regular walks with four of her neighbors and says her casual visual inspection is that there are a lot of families around town in the summer. As they did last year, she and other neighbors held a block party on Brady Loop on Aug. 6. Neighbors from as far as two neighborhoods away enjoyed the

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PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

Chris Jodoin and Dorothy Puccia get ready to grill during a neighborhood party.



PHOTO BY DAN MINIKKINEN

An annual end-of-season event for children was canceled after another incident of vandalism at Poms Pond claimed the sails of several boats.

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## Reviewing town plans made easier

### Videotapes will be available in office

By Greta Cuyler

The public now has easier access to videotaped Planning Board meetings.

The Planning Board unanimously approved a policy Tuesday night allowing members of the public to view tapes in the first floor conference room of Town Offices on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday between 11 a.m. and noon.

Although the town will not

automatically reserve the sought-after conference room during viewing times, if the room is available, the public can view the tapes by either written or verbal request to the planning department. If the room is unavailable, the planning department can reserve the room for the next available viewing time.

"We're plowing new ground here," said Stephen Colyer, the

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**MORE CONTROL**  
Town locks in 167 affordable units  
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## Power outages a frequent issue

Mass Electric to come before selectmen

By Greta Cuyler

Concern over multiple, unexplained power outages in town this year has prompted the Board of Selectmen to request a public explanation from Massachusetts Electric.

John A. Pasquale of Collier Avenue estimated at a recent meeting that the power has gone out eight times since October. Selectman Mary Lyman, who is keeping her own tally, counts nine outages.

"Something's wrong with the grid system in this area," said Pasquale, who appeared before selectmen during Aug. 1 to vent his frustration.

King's Subs & Pizza on Bartlett Street lost power on a recent Wednesday evening, between 6:30 and 7 p.m., during the dinner rush.

"It was brutal," said King's employee Ericka Kearn, who was working that night. The outage put a dent in the shop's evening business, limiting their offerings to only cold subs.

The Shawsheen Luncheonette lost power at 12:30 p.m. one Saturday, a peak hour on a day when the restaurant stops serving at 1 p.m. "We had to turn people away," said Amy

Guay, who co-owns the luncheonette with husband Bryan. "Normally, we have people right up to 1 p.m."

One morning Amy Guay opened the restaurant at 4:45 a.m., only to discover the power was out. She walked over to the utility workers across the street who promised the power would be on by 6 a.m. It was. "(The power company) is very accommodating when the lights go out," she said. "But when you come in, you expect to get the grills going and make coffee."

But there is a silver lining to the blackouts. "It's great for business," said Guay. "People can't make coffee at home, so they come down to my place. Everyone says, 'What are we going to do about the power going out?' People see it as kind of a social event."

During one outage, Dunkin' Donuts on North Main Street lost power for more than two hours. Mal Colli, a Dunkin' Donuts district manager, said employees tallied purchases by hand and via battery-operated calculators. Unable to brew coffee, employees made trips to another franchise — one with power — to fill up on fresh coffee

and bring it back. "We had to let customers know that we were still able to serve them," said Colli.

Michelle Kelley, who works at the Post Office at Old Town Hall, was grateful that when power went out one day in her building, it did not affect all of Main Street. "While it was out, I went to Starbucks to grab a coffee," she said.

David Graves, spokesperson for Massachusetts Electric Co., declined to divulge the number of power outages in Andover during recent months, saying he felt it "inappropriate" to reveal the information prior to a public meeting with the Board of Selectmen on Sept. 12. At that meeting, a representative from the utility company will make a presentation to selectmen on the number of outages in Andover, provide detailed reasons for those outages and explain what the company is doing to upgrade service in town.

"Pending that presentation, I don't think it's fair to the selectmen to release any information prior to the meeting. We'd like to have the selectmen receive a full report at that time," said Graves.



PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

Kids toss water balloons to each other during a block party in the Yale Road neighborhood.

## Staying in Andover for summer

### ■ SUMMERTIME

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day's festivities, grilling and playing badminton and volleyball. Kids bicycled on the street without the threat of passing cars. "It doesn't seem deserted around here," says Blandini of her active neighborhood.

But Paul Clancy, who co-owns the Main Line Creamery on School street with his wife Merritt, sees this time of year as quiet. "My best indicator, given my location, is that when people are in town, in the commuter (train) lot, (and) up School Street to the church, you can't get a parking spot after 7:30 or 8 a.m."

Now, in the second week of August, Clancy says he sees drivers pull in around 10 a.m. and land a "prime" parking spot.

A look at a *Townsmen* events calendar seems to bear out Clancy's theory. In the Aug. 4 issue of the *Townsmen*, there were eight events listed in town, compared to 17 town events listed four months before, in the April 7, 2005 issue.

But there are areas for people

to gather. Poms Pond remains a summer destination for some. Mary Donahue, director of the Department of Community Services, estimates the town has sold 200 summer pond passes, on par with past years. Brian Parker, director of Poms Pond, says he and his staff continue to get compliments about how great the pond looks this year, although vandals have marred the area twice in the last week (see story, page 1).

There have also been some aesthetic and practical improvements to the town recreation spot. Andover resident Ryan Noonan spent last school year constructing an Eagle Scout project at the pond. He built what Parker calls "an incredible sidewalk," out of bricks, leading from the pond's parking lot down to the beach. According to Parker, Noonan partially leveled the land, and the path goes through a small wooded area and then empties onto the beach, an easy way for parents to transport strollers to the beach, or for handicapped people to access the two sand-and-

water wheelchairs at the pond.

Poms employees Paul D'Ambrosio and Jim Delaney spearheaded a staff project to create a small patio at the pond this year, using leftover bricks from Noonan's project. Parker affectionately refers to the 10-by-15-foot patio as "The Pond View Cafe." Overlooking the beach, the patio is a spot to sit and enjoy a treat from the concession stand. There are two metal tables, one with an overhanging umbrella, and plastic chairs. A small perennial garden lines the patio, including ferns, black-eyed susans and other brightly colored flowers.

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## IN BRIEF

**Committee: Trend toward more recycling continues to save cash**

The trend continues. For the third month in a row, the amount of trash thrown away by Andover residents was below the levels seen for the last three years.

According to Andover Recycling Committee member Candy Dann, the committee believes, "Residents are pitching in by not pitching out. Every little bit of effort to reduce waste makes a big difference when it happens in over 9,000 households."

Andover's trash tonnage dropped during May, June and July by more than 100 tons per month when each month was compared to the same month last year. For the whole year, this saved Andover more than \$40,000 in trash-disposal fees. What has changed, according to the committee?

• Lots of homes are using three or four full recycling bins every collection day, including lots of cardboard.

• Compost bins, kitchen scrap buckets and "grass-cycling" have become popular.

• May's Zero Waste Day was a success and will be repeated in North Andover in the fall and in Andover next spring (open to all residents).

• Reuse is getting easier with Earth911.org, Freecycle.org, MVFreeStuffNetwork at YahooGroups.com, and townwide yard sales.

The goal for this year is 11,000 tons, which will bring Andover down to the average for comparable towns in terms of trash generated per household. This means another 5 percent reduction. For each household that means reducing either another 4 pounds per week or 200 pounds per year (one big yard sale). Residents who want suggestions or more information can contact the Andover Recycling Committee at [www.andoverma.gov/recycle](http://www.andoverma.gov/recycle).

**Blinking light for AHS entrance?**

A month before school opens, the town is brainstorming how the traffic flow at the district's 10 schools can be improved. As a result, town officials are at least considering installing a blinking traffic light at the entrance to Andover High School.

Increased bus and parking fees have caused an increase in the number of cars dropping off and picking up students every morning, said Andover police Lt. James Hashem.

"On some days, it seems like every kid drives their car to school," Hashem said.

"We've been working with different traffic patterns to see what we can do in the interim, (to see) if there's a better solution," he said. "We've tried one way in and out at certain times, making Lincoln Street one way in and out. Ideally, you're talking about adding a turning lane into the school."

Hashem said a blinking light could be one option in the interim. While the depart-

ment uses it sparingly, the blinking light in front of the public safety building has proved successful. It stops blinking and an alarm sounds when emergency vehicles need to leave the station.

School Committee member Art Barber said he does not know if a blinking light is the solution, but he would like to see a traffic study.

"I would be in favor of having and discussing a complete traffic plan at West Middle and the high school," Barber said. "In terms of a light, there are a lot of questions. Would it always be blinking? Would it replace the crossing guard?"

Hashem said many people do not pay attention to lights that constantly flash yellow.

"It just adds to the confusion," Hashem said. "Like (when there are) too many signs, people don't pay attention."

He said the entrance to the high school is more of a "convenience and congestion factor than a safety issue."

—Dorian Block

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— Amy Wetterskog, a conservation department summer intern, who wants a guardrail on Route 125 extended to protect conservation land. (Story, page 5)

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— John Doherty, town veterans agent, on the young soldiers pictured in a 1946 photo. Five of the men are unidentified, and Doherty hopes to end the mystery so he can properly identify the men and display the photo. (Story in Townspeople, page 9)

**News Calendar****Thursday, Aug. 11**

Council on Aging, Andover Senior Center, off Whittier Court, 8 a.m.

Andover Cable Advisory Committee, Town Offices, 36 Bartlett St., third-floor conference room, 7 p.m.

Ballardvale Historic District Commission, Town Offices, second-floor conference room, 7 p.m.

**Monday, Aug. 15**

Board of Health, Town Offices, second-floor conference room, 6 p.m.

**Tuesday, Aug. 16**

School Committee, school administration building off Whittier Court, School Committee room, 7:30 p.m.

Conservation Commission, Town Offices, third-floor conference

room, 7:45 p.m.

**Wednesday, Aug. 17**

School Committee, school administration building, School Committee room, 8 a.m.

Design Advisory Group, Town Offices, first-floor conference room, 6 p.m.

Recycling Committee, Town Offices, second-floor conference room, 7:30 p.m.

**Monday, Aug. 22**

Board of Selectmen, Town Offices, third-floor conference room, 7:30 p.m.

**Tuesday, Aug. 23**

Fish Brook Initiative Task Force, 397 Lowell St., water treatment plant, 7 p.m.

**Healthy diet?**

The Andover Board of Health is holding a cholesterol screening clinic on Wednesday, Aug. 17, from 9 a.m. until noon. An appointment is necessary. The clinic is for Andover residents only.

The simple finger-stick test costs \$5 and does not require fasting. For an appointment call the health department at 978-623-8295. This program is made possible through a grant from the Andover Home for Aged People.

**Phillips interviews**

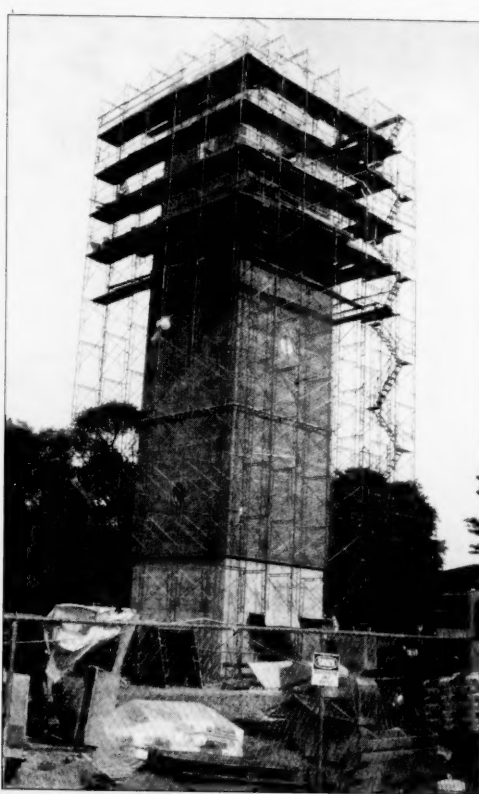
Phillips Academy is conducting interviews now through Sept. 2 for local students planning to apply for admission to the 2006-07 school year.

**Pomps closing Aug. 14**

Pomps Pond will remain open daily from noon until 6 p.m. through Sunday, Aug. 14.

**Clarification**

Regarding "Town dumps snow on 'old dump'" (Aug. 4), Donal Coleman claims he never referred to seeing "55-gallon drums" at the site of the old dump on High Street, but only to seeing "drums." He also says he was not informed by health officials that they planned to conduct a site visit last Tuesday, Aug. 2.

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# AYF: We will pursue only a separate youth center

Senior center issue, STM vote will not be factor

By Greta Cuyler

Andover Youth Foundation is proceeding with plans to build a separate youth center, no matter what the outcome of a fall Special Town Meeting to determine the fate of a new senior center, says its president. AYF plans to break ground on their West Andover site by June 1, 2006.

"Our business is to build a youth center, regardless of any vote, committee or discussion," said AYF president Larry Larsen. "We've got to get going. There's no youth center, no senior center, no community center - just a heap of discussion."

In June, AYF had offered to delay its youth-center effort in West Andover to see if designing a town community center for Andover residents of all ages was a realistic possibility. The offer came in the wake of April Town Meeting, when a proposed new senior facility failed to pass by 16 votes.

Community center discussions stalled during the summer.

Meanwhile, senior center proponents collected the required 200 signatures to call for a Special Town Meeting to vote again on building a new senior center. Dorothy Bresnahan, who spearheaded the Special

Town Meeting petition, plans to deliver the petition to Town Clerk Randall Hanson on Monday, Aug. 15. Tentative dates for the Special Town Meeting are Sept. 24 or 27.

More discussion than action has prompted youth leaders to proceed with their original plan, because time delays stalled fundraising efforts.

In a July 27 letter to the Board of Selectmen, Larsen reaffirmed his organization's commitment to constructing a West Andover facility, which will range in size between 14,000 and 30,000 square feet, depending on how much money the foundation is able to raise by Jan. 1, 2006. AYF now has \$3.2 million for the project, including cash and pledges. "We'll build what we have money to build," said Larsen, although he already foresees eliminating one of the larger rooms planned for the center.

"We can't really do anything while the world meditates. Our commitment is to a youth center. If the town decides to complement and add on at a later date, that's the town's choice," said Larsen.

With town youth leaders forging ahead with construction plans, Bresnahan is hopeful that

a revote will result in the desired outcome of approval for a new senior center. "Because it's a two-thirds vote, it's very important that people be there to vote. I don't care if they come by roller blades, skateboard, walk or fly, but only if they're going to vote for the senior center."

According to Bresnahan, she had collected more than the 200 necessary signatures for a Special Town Meeting on the senior-center issue within one week of circulating the petition. Although she's been pleased with the support, there's more work to be done.

"Just signing the petition isn't all that they need to do. Turn out for the meeting and vote for it," she said. Volunteers will provide rides to Special Town Meeting for seniors unable to drive, said Bresnahan.

"I'm hopeful that (the senior center) will pass, because it's so badly needed. We have the plans, the land, the money. We could be well underway if we'd made it at Town Meeting."

If approved at a Town Meeting, the senior-center project also needs to be approved at a ballot box during a special election, because it seeks a debt-exclusion override of Proposition 2½ for funding.

## New policy

■ PLANNING

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town's planning director, who drafted the policy and proposed it to the Planning Board Tuesday.

There is no law requiring the town to videotape the board's meetings, although the town continues to do so because members of the board find it a valuable tool. Videotape will also be helpful should the state legislature and governor sign current legislation that would allow board members to vote on issues discussed at meetings they could not attend if the members watch the videotape.

The Planning Board also discussed potential alternatives for viewing videos. Paul Salafia, Planning Board chairman, suggested that Comcast make a duplicate tape of the meeting and the town could make it available for checkout at the library. But Colyer said he was uncomfortable with that scenario, because the video, as public record of the meeting, should not leave Planning Board premises. Audio tapes of the Planning Board meetings are erased and recycled once the meeting minutes are complete.

The Planning Board approved minutes for March, April and May at Monday night's meeting.

## Two arrested to help remember Nagasaki

By Rita Savard

"Good People, Bad Product," was the message Mary Kate Small was trying to deliver before getting arrested on Tuesday.

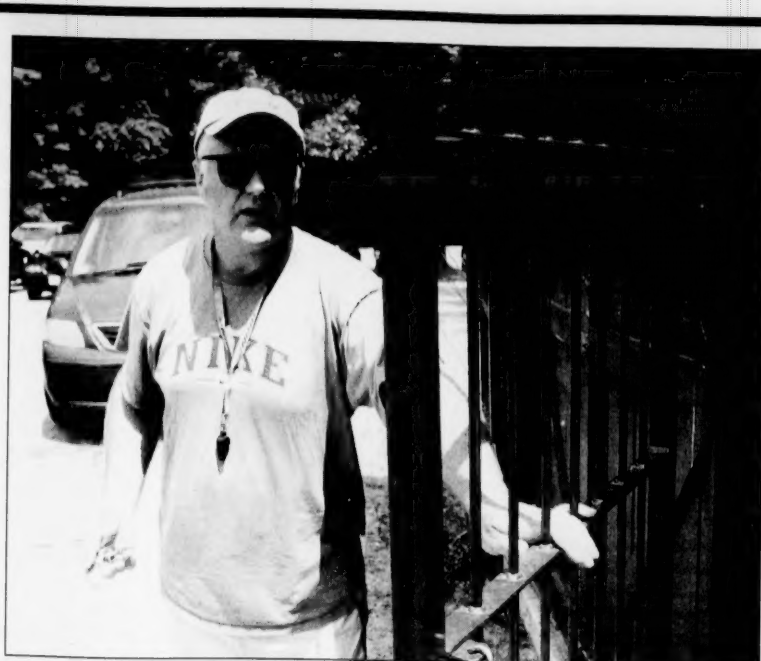
Small, and two dozen members of the "Raytheon Peacemakers" group stood in a circle and prayed outside Raytheon's front entrance at 350 Lowell St., before police apprehended Small, 42, and Thomas Feagley, 59, for blocking the flow of traffic around 8 a.m., police said.

The public demonstration at Raytheon - the fifth largest defense contractor in the country - was to commemorate the 60th anniversary of the Nagasaki atomic bomb blast on Aug. 9, 1945. The 20-kiloton weapon leveled 6.7 million square meters of land, and killed and injured about 150,000 people.

"The arrest was planned to gain people's attention," said Small, whose Tuesday morning arrest marked the third time she's been jailed for public demonstrations at Raytheon. "We want people to remember all the senseless death and killing caused by nuclear weapons in a very serious way."

A lifelong Andover resident and career activist, Small has appeared in front of Raytheon with signs in hand weekly for the past four years. As a result of her various demonstrations in Andover and elsewhere, she has been arrested a total of seven times.

Small said her Tuesday 6:30 a.m. vigils outside the weapons-maker get mixed responses from Raytheon employees. Many stare straight ahead and ignore her, some occasionally offer a friendly wave of support, and then there are those that gesture with what she refers to as "the half peace sign."



Brian Parker, park director, said bars had to be installed at Poms Pond's equipment shed because of vandals.

## Poms vandals hurt town, kids

■ VANDALISM

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and ignited two sails, slashed another and cut the lines on all five boats that were docked.

Police said they checked the pond several times during the evening and noticed no suspicious activity in the area.

A half-dozen kids waited patiently on the shore Saturday anticipating a last sail of the summer on Poms. Instead, the kids were told the townwide regatta was canceled.

The rash of vandalism at Poms Pond this summer is hardly an isolated incident, police said. Vandalism incidents escalate during the summer months, regularly coinciding with school vacation, according to Police Sgt. Don Pattullo.

Dumpster fires, graffiti and games of "mailbox baseball" - knocking down mailboxes with bats - are pranks often committed by teen vandals. But this year, acts of vandalism have been particularly heavy in town and police have dealt with some cases that were uniquely violent in nature.

In June, three teens were caught videotaping themselves on a rampage of destruction in which they tortured and set fire to pet chickens and smashed hundreds of dollars in personal property at Camp Evergreen. Two weeks ago, six Tewksbury teenagers on a rock-throwing vandalism

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BARBARA O'FARRELL,  
ANDOVER RESIDENT

spree caused an estimated \$20,000 in damage to cars and homes in town.

"During this time of year, kids have a lot of time on their hands," said Pattullo. "Mom and dad are often at work and (the kids) are out roaming around and cause a little mischief. Sometimes it gets out of hand. It's been going on for 100 years and unfortunately, it's probably not going to change. The trouble is when they get caught, nothing happens when they go to court. It sends the wrong message."

As temperatures soared into the sticky 90s last Thursday, dozens of children splashed around in Poms to beat the summer heat. Next to them, still tied to the dock, floated the scorched remains of the pond's paddleboat. Water washed inside the boat through two gaping holes at the bow, where police believe gasoline was poured to ignite the fire. Parker said the boat was the No. 1 choice for kids

during the weekdays and for families to use on the weekends because it was simple to navigate.

Andover resident Barbara O'Farrell, who lives in the neighborhood surrounding the pond, said two daughters, Caroline, 9, and Eileen, 4, had just taken the boat out the day before it was destroyed.

"It's very unfortunate that something like this would happen," O'Farrell said, looking over the blackened boat. "I remember when my 9-year-old learned to swim here. Poms Pond is such a nice place for families to come and enjoy. It's really just awful that kids would come here and indiscriminately do this."

Parker said the camp becomes an easy target for vandals once it closes for the day. Since last Thursday, he has been combing the area himself after hours.

Part of Recreation Park, Poms Pond was forced to close early last summer when teen vandals destroyed the dam that separates the pond from the Shawheen River, causing water levels to recede. The pond is scheduled to close for the season this coming Sunday, Aug. 14.

"This just isn't normal behavior (for kids)," said Parker, who also teaches social studies at Andover High School. "My concern now is that whoever is responsible for this doesn't come back to do something even worse."

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# End to \$1,000-a-day fines sought

## FARM FINES

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counsel on the case, Scott Masse, before a decision is made.

Developer William Johnson, who signed a preliminary purchase-and-sale agreement with Nabydoski, has publicly discussed plans to build a 60-unit development on the land. Johnson has been working with Nabydoski and environmental consultants to clean up the property.

Nabydoski's attorney, Paczkowski, believes the fees should have been stopped once the cattle operation was halted.

"I'm saddened over this whole issue," Paczkowski said. "The Nabydoski family

has been farming in Andover for years. Since the days when his father was farming, the family gave their all to helping the community but when it came time for the community to help them, the community didn't."

Now that Nabydoski has given up farming, Paczkowski said he is "hopeful that everyone will participate and the town will do what we consider to be the right thing."

There is currently an appeal pending with the state Supreme Judicial Court for Nabydoski's case, said Paczkowski. If the town decides to support Nabydoski in alleviating the fines, the lawsuit could be dismissed, he said.

Penney said that while the skies above Nabydoski's 26 acres have been clear of seagulls since February — a trend that the health director confirms has not occurred in the past 20 years — it will take until November, when the birds typically migrate there, to know if the problem has been resolved once and for all.

"There is no question about the fact that the public health nuisance associated with the birds and pollution of the brook have stopped," said Penney. "But the question remains as to whether it's a temporary halt due to seasonal changes and the migratory patterns of birds, or because the farm is no longer in use."

## POLICE LOG

### ARRESTS

Friday, Aug. 5 - At 10:06 a.m., Heather J. Varney, 28, of 9 Fairway Drive, Derry, N.H., was arrested and charged with driving with a suspended license for operating under the influence, transporting a child (6-12) who was not wearing a seatbelt and on warrants for speeding and unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle.

At 2:30 p.m., Roni Soares Serra, 27, of 184 Harvard St., Cambridge, was arrested and charged on warrants for assault and battery of a household member and intimidating a witness.

At 11:58 p.m., Zubin D. Massihzadegan, 19, of 51 Center St., was arrested and charged with illegal possession of alcohol.

Saturday, Aug. 6 - At 4:43 p.m., Manuel Andrade, 46, of 266 Marshall St., Tewksbury, was arrested and charged with a marked lanes violation and a second offense for operating under the influence of liquor.

At 6:58 p.m., Edgar Case, 42, of 49 Walnut Hill Drive, Derry, N.H., was arrested and charged on possession of a class B substance, crack cocaine. At 7:32 p.m., Cindy J. Case, 39, of 49 Walnut Hill Road, Derry, N.H. was arrested and charged with possession of a class B substance, crack cocaine. Police conducting security checks of the Poms Pond area on ATVs, found the couple sitting by the railroad tracks where they were smoking the drug.

Sunday, Aug. 7 - At 9:45 a.m., Matthew C. Scipione, 36, of 600 Bullfinch Drive, was arrested and charged on warrants for disorderly conduct and violating a restraining order.

Monday, Aug. 8 - At 2:26 p.m., Jeyson L. Perez, 19, of 206 Park St., Lawrence, was arrested and charged with driving with a suspended license, a seatbelt violation, transporting a child under 6 without a car seat, giving a false name and address to police, motor-vehicle equipment violations and on a warrant for larceny over \$250.

Tuesday, Aug. 9 - At 8:31 a.m., Mary Kate Small, 42, of 169 High Plain Road, was arrested and charged with a municipal by-law violation, obstructing traffic during a public demonstration.

At 8:52, Thomas Feagley, 59, of 76 Maple St., Malden, was arrested and charged with a municipal bylaw violation, obstructing traffic during a public demonstration.

At 5:02, Michael Kempster, 55, of 132 Holt Road, was arrested and charged with two counts of assault and battery on a police officer, a second offense for operating under the influence of alcohol, resisting arrest and disorderly conduct. A caller notified police that Kempster had crashed his red Honda Odyssey caravan into a stone wall on Stinson Road and then left his car. When police arrived, Kempster said he spilled a drink and was reaching down to pick it up which compromised his driving ability, said police officer Joseph Magliozzi. A fruit punch-type liquid was found in two old water bottles, police said. Kempster resisted arrest and punched officer Joseph Radford twice in the shoulder and elbowed Magliozzi in the ribs, Magliozzi said. Kempster was turning off Holt Road when his vehicle drifted into the wall on Stinson, police said. The damage to the wall, which was on private property, was more than \$500, police said.

### INCIDENTS

Wednesday, Aug. 3 - At 6:54 p.m., a resident reported a boat and the admissions booth at Poms Pond were on fire. The caller stated her husband had extinguished the fires but they were still smoldering. According to police reports, minimal damage occurred at the booth, in which only a single piece of paper was ignited. But the plastic paddleboat owned by the town was burnt beyond use. No one was found in the area and police are continuing investigations.

At 9:08 p.m., a security company reported the alarm at the Andover High School field house was activated. Police checked the area and found the field house was secure, but reported seeing a pizza delivery man who said the school's front door was unlocked.

Thursday, Aug. 4 - At 7:52 p.m., a resident reported hearing people on dirt bikes, possibly riding around the Goldsmith Reservation. Police searched the area and found no one.

At 7:38 p.m., a resident reported seeing a man parked in a beige vehicle on the corner of Summer Street and Washington Avenue, who looked like a man she saw on television who was wanted for rape. Police said the subject checked out OK.

At 10:30 p.m., a resident reported three kids going through the neighborhood of Somerset Drive and ringing doorbells.

Friday, Aug. 5 - At 4:50 a.m., a resident reported having an animal in her garage that she believed chewed through some wires. The caller stated she heard a "beeping noise" afterward. Police said the noise was from a cell phone left in the garage and that the animal was gone upon their arrival.

At 2:02 p.m., a local bank reported receiving a fraudulent check.

At 4:12 p.m., a loose dog was picked up and transported to Andover Animal Hospital.

At 5:11 p.m., a caller reported someone creating fake company checks. Police advised the caller to contact the bank first.

At 9:14 p.m., an officer reported that a transformer blew on Essex Street, causing a small fire. The Andover Fire Department extinguished the fire and Mass Electric was contacted.

At 10:31 p.m., a caller requested that an officer check on a few parked cars near the woods by Chatham Road. Officer Brian Blouin reported a large house party on Haven Drive. One subject was placed under arrest for illegal possession of alcohol.

At 10:38 p.m., a resident reported a strange male in her backyard who appeared to be watching her children. Police said the subject was lost.

Saturday, Aug. 6 - At 5:27 a.m., a resident reported a female sitting on his lawn, crying after being thrown out of a car. The woman was transported to Lawrence General Hospital by ambulance.

At 7:35 a.m., a resident reported that her neighbor was standing naked on his porch. Police spoke to the subject and said he went back in his house.

At 9:22 a.m., a resident reported a sinkhole on the side of Bancroft Road. The Department of Public Works was notified.

At 11:17 a.m., Poms Pond reported two sailboats had been set on fire during the night. An arson investigator was notified.

At 5:17 p.m., a resident reported that he and his father were driving along Main Street when a woman ran out in front of their car screaming for them to call the police. According to police reports, the woman stated that she had an \$8,000 item to exchange at a downtown jewelry store and that the shop was supposed to open up for her but then decided not to. Police said the incident was a civil matter.

At 6:10 p.m., a resident reported an "unknown" animal had its head caught in the fence of her backyard. The fire department dispatched engine No. 1 and ladder truck No. 2. Bolt cutters were used to free the animal.

At 10:21 p.m., police assisted the ambulance with a 28-year-old female who appeared to have overdosed on drugs. The patient was taken to Lawrence General Hospital.

At 10:43 p.m., a female employee at a local business reported a male, who appeared to be about 50, entered the shop and told employees he was a recovering heroin addict. The caller stated that the man continued to sit in his vehicle for quite some time after leaving the store. Police checked the area and found no one.

Monday, Aug. 8 - At 2:15 p.m., a caller reported a suspicious small plane was circling around Raytheon for at least five minutes. Police said Massport Operations Cen-

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# Guarding town conservation land

## Guardrail to bar ATVs?

By Greta Cuyler

Conservation officials are seeking help from the state to prohibit unauthorized vehicles and hunters from illegally using — and potentially harming — town land and the Goldsmith Woodlands Reservation.

State Rep. Barbara L'Italien of Andover and Massachusetts Highway officials have been enlisted to work at extending a guardrail along Route 125 by approximately 1,100 feet.

At issue is a gap between two existing guardrails along the state highway. People are using the gap to access conservation land bordering Route 125 and the Andover Village Improvement Society's (AVIS) Goldsmith Wood-

lands Reservation. Cars park along the side of the road and people unload their dirt bikes and all-terrain vehicles because the sand pit on the Goldsmith property is a favorite jumping spot for dirt-bike riders. Riders also cross Route 125 from the gravel pit in North Reading.

Conservation Director Robert Douglas brought the issue before selectmen at their last meeting, saying trees and wildlife are being disturbed by the unauthorized activities. Douglas and his department's summer intern, Amy Wetterskog, have been working on this project and asked Town Manager Buzz Staczynski to send a letter to state highway officials on the town's behalf.

"The Goldsmith Reservation has very porous borders," said Wetterskog. "There are many ways to get in and many ways to get out. Because of that, it's hard to enforce the 'no motorized vehicles, ATVs, motorbikes or hunting' rule. We're trying to narrow as many of the entry and exit points as possible, block off a few of the big hot spots."

L'Italien joined Mass Highway representatives and conservation officials on Monday for a site walk of the Route 125 property at Wetterskog's request. Andover's representative is considering legislation regarding the issue of ATVs and dirt bikes, and says the Route 125 site is symptomatic of a larger issue: whether people who purchase dirt bikes and ATVs know where they can legally use them in the state.

"Are they handed anything at point of sale? Or do they figure it's like riding a bike? I can ride wherever I want?" said

L'Italien.

There are only seven approved sites for ATV and dirt bike riders in the state. The closest location to Andover is Georgetown. Georgetown residents have enlisted L'Italien's help over concern about ATVs "chewing up" the public trails. After Georgetown, the nearest state-approved site is Mansfield, south of Boston. Most of the trails are in the western part of the state.

L'Italien, who lives less than a mile from the Route 125 site, says she believes a lot of people are unaware that there are rules governing where people can operate ATVs.

According to Wetterskog, Mass Highway officials

typically install guardrails along potentially dangerous sections of road, especially steep slopes. Part of the state agency's deliberations will no doubt include a discussion of whether the extra section of guardrail, if hit by a car, would cause further unsafe conditions.

"Guardrail is dangerous," said Wetterskog. "It's something that you can hit or run into. (Mass Highway) wants to prevent random acts of guardrail."

Conservation officials put up signs along Route 125 during Monday's site visit, reminding passersby that the land is conservation property.

It is now up to Mass Highway to decide if it will connect the two guardrails along Route 125. According to Erik Abell, a spokesman for Mass Highway, the next step involves internal agency discussions, including a cost analysis. If the town's guardrail request is approved, Mass Highway will pay for it. A decision is expected within the next couple of months, and if approved, the project would be put into a queue along with other approved projects.

"Our hope is that the guardrail that will be put across will still allow some access (to the area), including (car) pullover capabilities, but that by guardrailing, ATVs won't be able to get in," said Wetterskog.

In the meantime, L'Italien has nothing but praise for Wetterskog, whom she calls "pretty amazing" for spearheading the issue and contacting L'Italien's office for assistance. Wetterskog, a 2002 Andover High School graduate will be a senior at Wells College in Maine this fall and is majoring in environmental policy and values.

Trees and wildlife are being disturbed, says Conservation Director Robert Douglas

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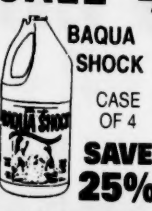
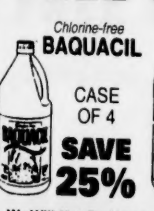
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## OBITUARIES

## Hou Toon Chen

Retired Taiwan stock exchange pioneer

Hou Toon Chen, 86, of Andover, died Thursday, Aug. 4.

He was born May 7, 1919 in China. In the mid 1950s, he returned to Taiwan after graduating from City College of New York with a master's degree in economics.

While he was in Taiwan, he held the manager position in some of the major banks there. At the same time, he taught courses on money and banking and stock investments at the National Cheng-Chi University and National Chung-Hsing University.

Later, he became one of the pioneers in the development of the stock exchange in Taiwan. In 1992, he retired as a vice president of the Taiwan Stock Exchange Corp. and returned to the United States with his wife, and they resided in Andover since then.

He enjoyed writing. He authored two books, published numerous research papers and was a columnist for the Periodic of China Economy. He also enjoyed playing tennis with his family and friends.

Members of his family include his wife, Li-Yun Chen of Andover; two sons, San-Kai of New Zealand and Shan-Hsin of Andover; two grandsons; and two granddaughters.

A funeral service will be held tomorrow, Friday, Aug. 12 at noon at the Conte Funeral Home, 28 Florence St., Andover.

Burial will follow in Spring Grove Cemetery.

## Cornelia F. Lawrence

Andover native enjoyed singing and dancing

Cornelia F. (Yancy) Lawrence, 79, of Lawrence, and formerly a longtime Andover resident, died Monday, Aug. 1.



Cornelia F. Lawrence

Born in Andover, she was a talented singer and dancer. She also sang opera at the opera gardens in Andover.

She was a member of the Jehovah's Witnesses in the Tower Hill section of Lawrence. She retired from the First Essex Savings Bank, and from the Andover School Department.

She was the widow of Benjamin F. Lawrence and was also predeceased by her son, Glen P. Lawrence.

Members of her family include her daughters, Felicia Levister and her fiancé Coleman Ridge of Lowell, and Heidi R. Lawrence of Lowell; a brother, John Yancy Sr. of Haverhill; a sister, Irene Yancy of Hanover; a grandson; and several nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, Aug. 13, at the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses, 1495 Mammoth Road, Dracut, at 2 p.m.

Arrangements are by the Dewhirst & Conte Funeral Home, 28 Florence St., Andover.

## OBITUARIES

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## Dorothy Mavrikos

Longtime BayBank VP

Dorothy "Jean" (Rutherford) Mavrikos of Andover died Thursday, Aug. 4, at the Caritas Holy Family Hospital in Methuen.

She was the daughter of the late Zack and Mae Scott Rutherford.

Her husband of 37 years, Jim Mavrikos, said his wife "reflected the love of God in all her relationships with people, and always had a kind word for everyone regardless of their status. She also gave 120 percent in everything she did."

He said in high school, she was in the Beta Club Honor Society and also a class officer. She was also voted the most athletic, having played varsity basketball and softball.

Later, she attended Appalachian State University.

She became a vice president of BayBank, and worked for 26 years.

She was an avid golfer, and won the ladies club championship, having to make up a 6-stroke lead.

She enjoyed teaching Sunday school, and would spend hours preparing her lessons for the children she taught, her husband said.

She continued all of her activities while she fought breast cancer for 25 years. Eventually, the cancer spread to her bones, her husband said.

In addition to her husband, family members include a daughter, Debbie Mavrikos of Andover; a grandson, Schane Scipione of Andover; a sister, Lou Reid Rutherford of Piney Creek, N.C.; a brother, George Rutherford of Piney Creek; and two nephews and their spouses, Jimmy and Tracy Rutherford of Sparta, N.C. and Jamie and Sherry Rutherford of Wilkesboro, N.C.

A memorial service will be held Wednesday, Aug. 17 at 11 a.m. at Free Christian Church, 31 Elm St., Andover.

Refreshments will follow in the Fellowship Hall of the church.

## John J. Kiley Jr.

Former resident owned automobile dealerships

John Joseph "Jack" Kiley Jr., 82, of North Andover and Wolfeboro, N.H. and a former longtime Andover resident, died Wednesday, Aug. 3.

Mr. Kiley grew up in Lynn and graduated from Lynn English High School and Norwich University.

He enlisted in the Marines in 1943 and served in the Pacific Theater in World War II.

Mr. Kiley worked in the automotive sales and leasing industry for much of his professional life and was the owner of Kiley Motors in Wakefield and NSP Leasing in Danvers.

He was a longtime member of St. Pius Church in Lynn, St. Augustine in Andover, and St. Michael's in North Andover.

He was a member of the Meadowlarks, a group of Lynn English alumnae and family members said he was a lifelong fan of the World Champion Boston Red Sox.

Members of his family include his wife of 43 years, Patricia (Kelly) Kiley; children, Ann Burke of Briny Breezes, Fla., Joan O'Brien and her husband Ted of Andover, John J. Kiley III of Portland, Maine, Moira Kiley of Beverly, Matthew Kiley and his wife Susanne of Andover, Megan Bartle and her husband David of Acton, Amy Hubbard and her husband Lucas of Wolfeboro, and Gillian Kiley and her husband Samuel White of Providence, R.I.; sister, Mary Howlett; sister-in-law, Constance Kiley of Peabody; many nieces and nephews; and eight grandchildren.

He was predeceased by his wife of 17 years, Katherine McCarthy; a son, Joseph Phillip Kiley; a grandson, Michael Russell; and brothers, William E. Kiley and Thomas F. Kiley.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Palliative Care Unit at Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston, or to the Lazarus House in Lawrence.

Arrangements were by the Dewhirst & Conte Funeral Home, 17 Third St., North Andover.

## Deanne J. Porter

AHS class of '84 grad

Deanne J. (Gianelly) Porter, 38, of Lowell, died suddenly on Thursday, Aug. 4, at the Brigham & Women's Hospital in Boston.

Born on Oct. 11, 1966, in Malden, she was the daughter of Richard J. and Suzanne T. (Burnett) Gianelly.

After her family moved to Andover while she was in junior high school, she graduated from Andover High School, in the class of 1984.

She was a member of the Andover High girl's soccer team, and held a job with the Market Basket Co. as a grocery clerk. After 19 years with the company, Ms. Porter was still working with them.

Family members said she was an avid sports fan and loved spending time with her family. She lived in Lowell for the past three years and was previously from Malden.

In addition to her parents, members of her family include her husband, Joel S. Porter of Lowell; her children, Gabrielle R. and Hunter S. Porter, both of Lowell; her father and mother-in-law, David and Ida Porter of Melrose; her brother, Richard P. Gianelly of Manchester, N.H.; her sister, Suzanne J. Rivard of Andover; grandmothers, Carmela Gianelly of Malden and Clara Porter of Medford; and many aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews.

Arrangements were by the Weir-MacCuish Golden Rule Funeral Home, 144 Salem St., Malden.

Memorial contributions may be made to Dana-Farber's Jimmy Fund, 1 Harvard St., Boston, MA 02146-9795.

## Barbara M. Hogan

Had 15 great-grandchildren

Barbara (Brown) McKallagat Hogan, 83, of Andover died Saturday, Aug. 6, at the home of her daughter, Elizabeth, in Atkinson, N.H., after what her family said was a long and courageous battle with cancer.

She was born on Aug. 14, 1921, in Danielson, Conn. to the late Elizabeth (Girmsey) Brown and Needham B. Brown.

She grew up in Andover, and attended the Andover schools. She was a graduate of Abbot Academy in Andover, and Katherine Gibbs School of Boston.

Mrs. Hogan loved the seashore, and spent many happy summers at the beaches of New Hampshire and Maine. Describing her as "a very proud and proper woman," family members said she took great pride in her children and grandchildren, and her home and garden.

She was an avid reader, and one of her favorite pastimes was telling stories of her life and experiences to her grandchildren who, along with her children, adored and respected her, they said.

Members of her family include six sons, Peter B. and his wife Louise of Andover, Daniel L. and his wife Nancy of Salisbury, David C. and his wife Joyce of Lenexa, Kan., Stephen T. and his wife Patricia of Methuen, Paul H. and his wife Janet of Atkinson, and James E. and his wife Sera of Salem, N.H.; two daughters, Barbara McKallagat Sapienza of North Andover, and Elizabeth Garceau and her husband Michael of Atkinson; 25 grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; a sister, Sally and her husband William Morrissey of Goffstown, N.H.; and several nieces.

She was the sister of the late Needham B. Brown Jr.

She was preceded in death by her husband, John J. Hogan Jr., who was survived by his four sons, James, Jay, Joseph and Jerome.

Arrangements were by the John Breen Memorial Funeral Home Inc., 35 Merrimack St., North Andover.

Memorial contributions may be made to the William Lane Cancer Management Center, Holy Family Hospital, 70 East St., Methuen, MA 01844.

## DEATHS

Hou Toon Chen, 86  
James M. "Jim" Driscoll, 65  
John A. Dubois, 48  
Barbara Hogan, 83  
John "Jack" Kiley Jr., 82  
Cornelia F. Lawrence, 79  
Gertrude R. Marcoux, 87  
Dorothy "Jean" Mavrikos  
James T. McClellan, 95  
Doris V. Parker, 87  
Deanne J. Porter, 38  
John B. Wholey Sr., 79

## DEATHS ELSEWHERE

DUBOIS - John A. Dubois, 48, of Salem, N.H., died Saturday, Aug. 6, at the Parkland Medical Center in Derry, N.H. He graduated from the Greater Lawrence Vocational High School in Andover.

WHOLEY - John B. Wholey Sr., 79, of Newmarket, N.H., died Saturday, July 30 at Exeter Hospital in Exeter, N.H. after a brief illness. Members of his family include his daughter and son-in-law, Anne M. and Gerry Fennessey, and their son, Jason, all of Andover.

## Gertrude R. Marcoux

Longtime resident was co-owner of The Park at Hampton Beach

Gertrude R. (McNulty) Marcoux, 87, a resident of Andover for more than 28 years, died on Wednesday, Aug. 3, at Brigham & Women's Hospital in Boston following a brief illness.

She was the widow of J. Leo Marcoux, who died in 1997.

She was born on Jan. 20, 1918, and educated in Chelmsford, the daughter of the late George A. and Ellen T. (O'Rourke) McNulty.

She was a communicant of St. Robert's Church in Andover.

Mrs. Marcoux was the co-owner of The Park at Hampton Beach, N.H.

Loved ones include a son, Michael L. Marcoux of Andover; two sisters, Helen J. Conway of Chelmsford, and Theresa M. Cox of Lowell; her lifelong friend, Mae Fennessey; her brother-in-law, Raymond Marcoux and his wife Lorraine of Methuen; and many nieces and nephews.

She was also sister of the late Marietta Chandler, George McNulty, Edward McNulty, John J. McNulty and Florence Buckley.

Memorial contributions may be made to the VNA of Merrimack Valley, 360 Merrimack St., Lawrence, MA 01843.

Arrangements were by the Fay-McCabe Funeral Home, 105 Moore St., Lowell.

## James T. McClellan

Sculptor was raised on Orchard Street

James Trumbull McClellan, 95, of Ipswich, died in his sleep on Monday, Aug. 1.

He was born on a farm estate in Haverhill on June 27, 1910, the fourth of six children of Frances Packard McClellan and Percy Webb McClellan, a relative of Civil War General George B. McClellan.

Raised on Orchard Street in Andover, he attended Governor Dummer Academy and then MIT before moving to Folly Cove on Cape Ann to study sculpture with master teacher George Demetrios. For decades McClellan made his living and supported his family selling insurance, building the Anisquam River bridge for Route 128 at Gloucester's Grant Circle, working in boatyards, and restoring antique furniture. During those years he was able to sculpt only on Sundays.

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her children, Forest E. Parker III and his wife Joan of Little Compton, R.I., Dana L. Parker and his wife Michelle of Newtown, Conn., and Barbara L. MacKenzie and her husband William of Andover; sisters, Grace Berryhill of Portland, Ore., Florence McNeely of Columbus, Ohio, Edie Andrews of West Peabody, and Beverly Whitehorn of North Reading; and seven grandchildren.

Arrangements were by the Dewhirst & Conte Funeral Home, 28 Florence St., Andover.

## James M. Driscoll

Owned Driscoll Tire

James M. "Jim" Driscoll, 65, died Tuesday, Aug. 9, at Lawrence General Hospital.

Mr. Driscoll fought a courageous battle with kidney disease for several years, his family said.

They said he was well-known throughout New England in the commercial tire sales industry.

For many years, he was the owner of Driscoll Tire Inc. of Lawrence.

Born in Lawrence, he attended and graduated from St. Augustine School in Lawrence. He was a member of the class of '57 at Kimball Union Academy.

He served for six years in the US Coast Guard.

His strong presence in his family will always be cherished by family members who include his wife, Mary (Walsh) Driscoll of Andover; his son, Jim M. Driscoll Jr. also of Andover; his daughter, Amy and her husband, Daniel D'Andrea, of Stamford, Conn.; six grandchildren; his sister, Nancy Chamberlain of Cape Coral, Fla.; his cousin, Doris Sweet of Seabrook, N.H.; and several nieces and nephews.

A funeral Mass will be said in the West Parish Garden Chapel tomorrow, Friday, Aug. 12, at 10 a.m. Burial will follow in the West Parish Cemetery.

Family and friends are invited to call at the family residence at 34 Cutler Road, Andover, following the committal services at the cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Lawrence General Hospital, 1 General St., Lawrence, MA 01841.

## 'Beginning the Grief Journey' offered by Merrimack Valley Hospice

Merrimack Valley Hospice will be offering a six-week bereavement spousal support group "Beginning the Grief Journey" at St. Michael's Pastoral Center in North Andover on Tuesdays from 6 to 7:30 p.m. beginning Sept. 20, through Oct. 25.

The group will explore healing, reintegration and transformative grief and common signs of grief response.

Various myths, and society's expectations and misconceptions about grief will also be discussed.

Judith Berube, MA, LMHC and Marijane Costello, LSW, from Merrimack Valley Hospice, will facilitate the sessions. They are free and open to the public.

For more information, contact Judy at 978-552-4376.

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# Opinion

## Basic government

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE PLANNING BOARD for further opening up town government to the public by changing a planning department policy. Members acted as people instead of bureaucrats to quickly provide a basic right: the right to view public information.

Until the Planning Board's decision Tuesday, residents could not view videotapes of Planning Board meetings in a timely manner. In fact, before the new policy was enacted, getting any information about past meetings in a timely manner could be difficult.

The Planning Board is a busy group, and residents could wait months to get meeting minutes, the written record of a meeting's action. People also could not watch tapes of the meetings, because the planning department did not have a television or VCR, and would not let someone watch the tape at the library or elsewhere on town property. A copy of the tape could be made, at a cost of up to \$25.25 – but there was no guarantee of how long this would take.

The new policy could make the videotape available almost immediately, if on a limited basis. Now, residents have three hours each week to view the meetings, if a conference room is available.

The board embraced common sense and found a better solution to a simple problem. That's basic but good government and should be recognized.

### Web question

#### Andover cell-phone service OK?

Due to technical difficulties, last week's Web Question was not posted on our Web site. However, during the past two weeks, there has been much interest in the "over 55" housing issue. Results are below.

Two weeks ago, the *Andover Townsman* Web-site question was:

Do you support "over 55" communities being built in town? 75 people responded.

• 33, or 44 percent, said, "Yes, definitely. Too many of my older friends and neighbors have moved out of town due to the lack of housing geared to them in Andover."

• 27, or 36 percent, said, "Yes. I think it's an option that we should provide residents. A lot of people want to downsize their homes as they get older, but aren't ready for assisted living communities."

• 7, or 9 percent, said, "No, I don't think there's a need for age-restricted housing in Andover."

• 7, or 9 percent, said, "Absolutely not. It would segregate a population of the town and destroy the age

diversity that makes this town great."

• 1, or 1 percent, said "Other."

This week's Web-site question is: **How would you rate cell phone reception in Andover?**

• I rate it a 10 on a scale of 1 to 10, with 10 being the highest. No problems.

• I rate it an 8. I have no significant issues. My service might not get a signal 100 percent of the time, but it's good, reliable cell reception and I'm satisfied.

• About a 6. There do seem to be some "dead spots" in town.

• I rate it a 4. It's below average and I'd really be pleased if the cell companies would improve the service.

• I give it a 2. There's regular frustration.

• Zero. Are you kidding?? What service!?

• Other.

To vote, surf to [www.andovertownsman.com](http://www.andovertownsman.com).

### LETTERS POLICY

THE *Townsman* accepts letters to the editor from the community. Letters must be typed and no longer than two, double-spaced pages. All letter writers must include addresses and phone numbers with their letters. The phone numbers will not be published.

The paper reserves the right to edit letters at its discretion. Reasons for editing include editing for length, clarity and style.

Letters should be received by the *Townsman* by Monday at 5 p.m. for consideration in that week's paper. They may be sent by mail, fax or e-mail. Letters sent by e-mail should be sent to Neil Fater at [nfater@andovertownsman.com](mailto:nfater@andovertownsman.com), and included in the body of an e-mail, not as e-mail attachments.

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### WHAT'S OLD WILL BE NEW AGAIN



A scene from loft units under construction at the new Powder Mill Square Homes complex on North Main Street, which has attracted criticism for its size. Developer Lou Minicucci said the old mill building rehab has been planned to replicate original period design by using quality brick and stone.

## LETTERS

### Housing changes create city living

Editor, *Townsman*:

Drive by the intersection of Chandler and Greenwood Roads and there on your left, across from the fire station, you will see another reason to believe Andover has become a city.

Twenty look-alike houses, with the qualifying number of "affordables," are cramped together side by side, back to back, on five acres previously occupied by four homes. City housing on a country road!

What ever happened to open space? What ever happened to reasonably-sized house lots? What ever happened to individually-styled homes? They were the features that made Andover an attractive place to live.

What ever happened to the town of Andover?

Joan Patrakis  
35 Chandler Road

### THE BACK PAGE

## Soda fountains and stories



Bill Dalton

Before it is forgotten forever and slips into time's past treasures, I ask you to indulge me by allowing me to write about my dad's pharmacy, Dalton's.

Dalton's was on the corner of Main and Park streets, and it was a great place for kids to hang out. It had a full-fledged soda fountain with six swivel stools and two or three booths, each of which would hold a half dozen people. There was a unique smell that the older pharmacies had, mostly from the drugs they formulated and hand-compounded. There are a few of these drugstores still around and I can't go into one without being captured by that wonderful smell.

At my Dad's place, right after school, kids would pile in from Punchard High and Junior High School looking for their Coke and chips (5 cents each) before heading off to finish the day. For that hour or so, people would be waiting for seats. During the rest of the day there

would be a fairly constant flow of youngsters looking for friends or just waiting around for something to do. There were two other pharmacies, Simeon's and Hartigan's, each about a block away, but they were a little smaller and didn't seem to attract so many kids. I always thought that my Dad showed signs of marketing genius by hiring pretty, young high school girls to work behind the soda fountain. Of course, there were many young boys attracted to the store by the pretty soda girls. His theory was that if you can get people coming into the store, they would continue to do so when they became older.

In the evening, the soda fountain entertained an older group of locals. The store was next to the Town Hall and officials would often drop in after meetings, and consequently my father always had a pretty good idea about what was going on in the town. One local, a well-known fellow, was an extremely fastidious soul, perhaps to the point of it being a phobia. His quirk was well known. One evening he was sitting at the counter with a local doctor, both were having a soda. As he brought the drink to his lips a big, hairy fly flew inside the glass and immersed

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### AHS senior: Carpooling is refreshing answer to expected parking issues

Editor, *Townsman*:

For those of you who are not yet aware, Cuba Street will be closed to student parking this year. This street has always been a free, first come, first served parking option for newly licensed juniors at Andover High School. Even with this option, there has been violation after violation of juniors taking others' parking spots. So, what now? Junior parking outrage at AHS? Probably.

The most obvious answer to this problem is to take the bus, but many juniors will refuse to pay the costly fee, which this year is at \$300 per student with a family maximum of \$520. This will increase the already unreasonable number of parents dropping off their children in the morning. Traffic will be at an all-time high, more students will be late, and no one will be happy.

The most harmful effect will be inflicted upon the environment. Yet, there is a solution that lies before us.

There is a preposterous number of cars pulling into the school with only one student. What ever happened to carpooling? It seems that these days the only people who carpool are families, and sometimes neighbors. If we put an effort into carpooling, more than just traffic and parking problems would be solved. Students could split the steadily increasing costs for gas, which many people loathe paying. At the same time, carpooling is a great help to the environment. Carpooling is an easy and effective way to reduce pollution. I think most AHS students would rather ride to school with a friend or an upperclassman than drive in with their parents (no offense parents, but really). And knowing most of the senior class at AHS, in many cases a free ride to Dunkin' Donuts, Perfecto's or Starbucks would be part of the deal. My freshman year, a neighbor who was a senior offered to drive me to school almost every day. It was really

nice to talk to someone who had already experienced everything I was going through. We had different afternoon schedules because of sports, so I carpoled with friends from my sports teams. It is really not that hard to find someone with whom you could carpool, and there are so many benefits from it.

I hope students will make an effort to help the school and the environment by taking the bus or setting up carpools. I strongly encourage the senior class to step up and take action; we cannot expect underclassmen to approach the seemingly intimidating seniors to ask for a ride. Sports teams and clubs should set up carpools after practice and to and from games. It would be greatly appreciated by many people. It would be a simple step people could take to make the world a better place.

Kristen Sebasky  
7 Cobblestone Lane

## THE THURSDAY FILE

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CLINT EASTWOOD

A man's doubts and fears are his worst enemies. He can go ahead and do anything so long as he doesn't know he can't do it.

WILLIAM WRIGLEY JR.

Nothing dissects a man in public quite like golf.

BRENT MUSBERGER

Duct tape is like the Force. It has a dark side, it has a light side, and it holds the universe together.

CARL ZWANIG

Man's main task in life is to give birth to himself, to become what he potentially is. The most important product of his effort is his own personality.

ERICH FROMM,  
MAN FOR HIMSELF

A man who raises himself by degrees to wealth and power, contracts, in the course of this protracted labor, habits of prudence and restraint which he cannot afterwards shake off. A man cannot gradually enlarge his mind as he does his house.

ALEXIS-CHARLES-HENRI,  
COMTE DE TOCQUEVILLE  
(1805-1859)

Coffee should be black as hell, strong as death, and as sweet as love.

TURKISH PROVERB

Fame usually comes to those who are thinking about something else.

OLIVER WENDELL HOLMES SR.

Behind every successful woman ... is a substantial amount of coffee.

STEPHANIE PIRO

The Einstein quotation

Anyone who has never made a mistake has never tried anything new.

From the backstabbing co-worker to the meddling sister-in-law, you are in charge of how you react to the people and events in your life.

ANALIS NIN (1903-1977)

### Best quotation sent

Within these sacred portals Revenge and hate must cease; The souls of straying mortals In love will find release.

W. A. MOZART,  
THE MAGIC FLUTE

### About 'Thursday File'

Steve MacDowall's file can be found at [www.hudsonvalley.org](http://www.hudsonvalley.org), and it offers quotations such as these.



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# Townspeople

## ANDOVER's Unknown Soldiers

### Do you know these men?

Five in town photo still unidentified

By Rita Savard

INSIDE THE HALLS OF TOWN OFFICES, John Petty peruses faces from the past.

In a black-and-white photograph, Petty, then 19, stands among 34 young men clad in their military best. The year was 1946, the month was October and the nation's second World War was over.

"This picture is a happy nostalgia for me," said Petty, now 78. "It brings back good memories of being at Punchard High."

But there is something wrong with the picture, almost 60 years old. Not all the faces are accounted for. Petty, along with Veterans Agent John Doherty, would like to enlist the help of Andover residents in finding out the stories behind five unknown faces.

Discharged from their services, the group in the photo was attending a class at old Punchard High School where they completed diplomas or earned credits for college. The beautiful fall day presented a perfect opportunity for a class portrait.

With hair neatly combed back and eyes full of hope, their youthful expressions are not much different from high school students today. Except this portrait of young men communicates a unique legacy. Each face was a testament to war, survival and great things to come.

Today, nearly six decades later, Petty's silver hair is still streaked with the same strawberry blond highlights that colored his coif a bright red in 1946.

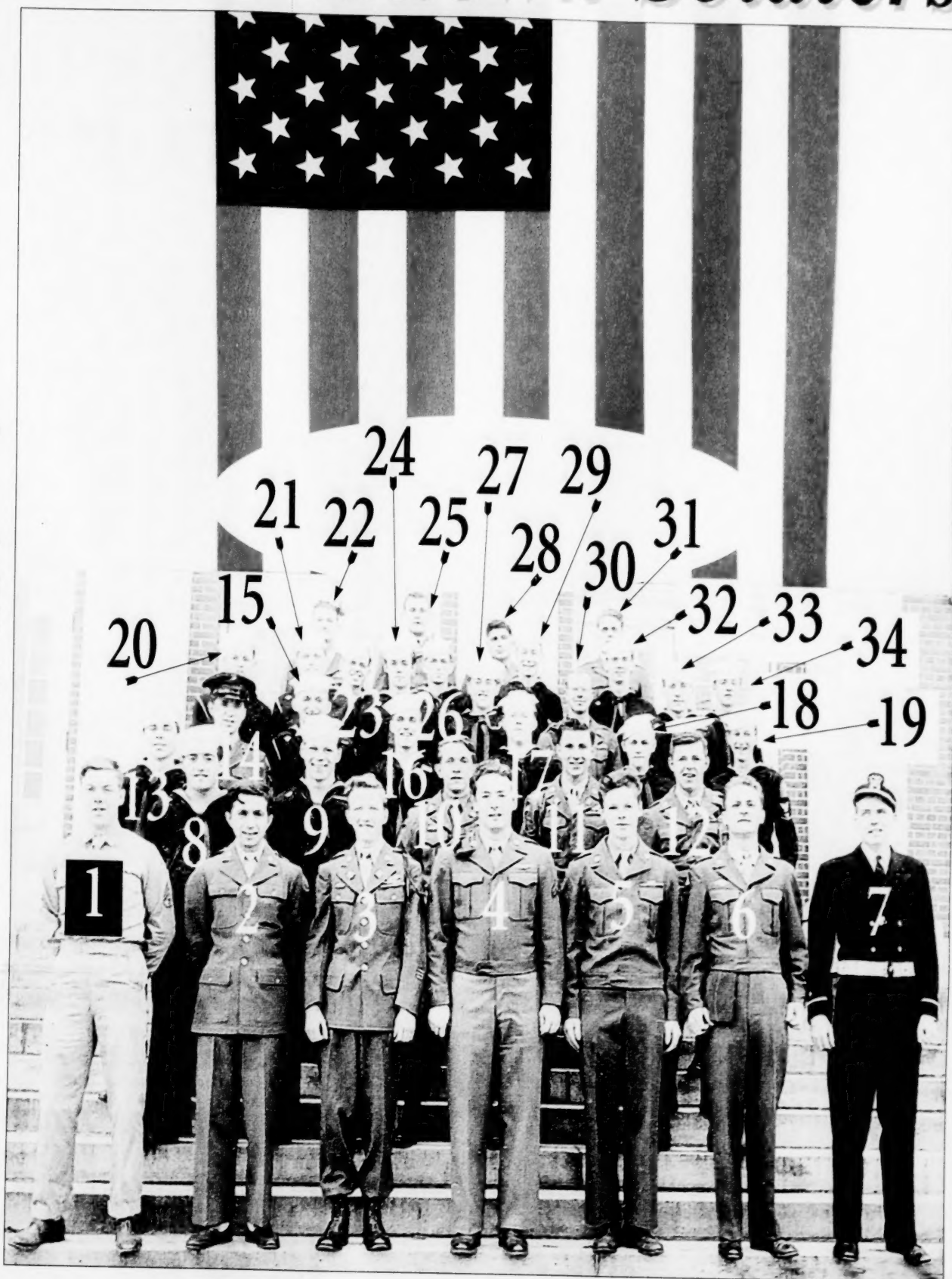
He was a high school junior when he enlisted in the Navy during June of 1945. World War II had ended while Petty was in bootcamp, but he served as a seaman 1st class and spent eight months on the Flagship *USS Pocahontas*, in the Navy's Atlantic auxiliary fleet.

While Petty did not see action, some of the men he is pictured with did.

In the front row, third from the left, William "Squeak" Munroe, according to Doherty, looks barely old enough for high school. Yet the young, lanky redhead's uniform is emblazoned with more medals than any of his peers.

The three bars on Squeak's right sleeve indicate he was a foot soldier. Each one represents a full six months of combat overseas.

Today, many of the Andover boys are now deceased. A handful, including Bob



Colombosian, Clinton Shaw, Homer Judge, Vincent Davey, and Petty, still reside in town.

Learning who the unknown veterans are will help complete this unfinished puzzle and ultimately enable Doherty to identify the entire lot and give the photograph a permanent home.

"It's a sobering portrait," said Doherty. "It reminds me of all the people who went off to serve in this war and never came

back."

At the onset of World War II, Andover's population was 10,800. Doherty said 2,200 served in various branches of the military, stationed in locations all over the world. Sixty were killed.

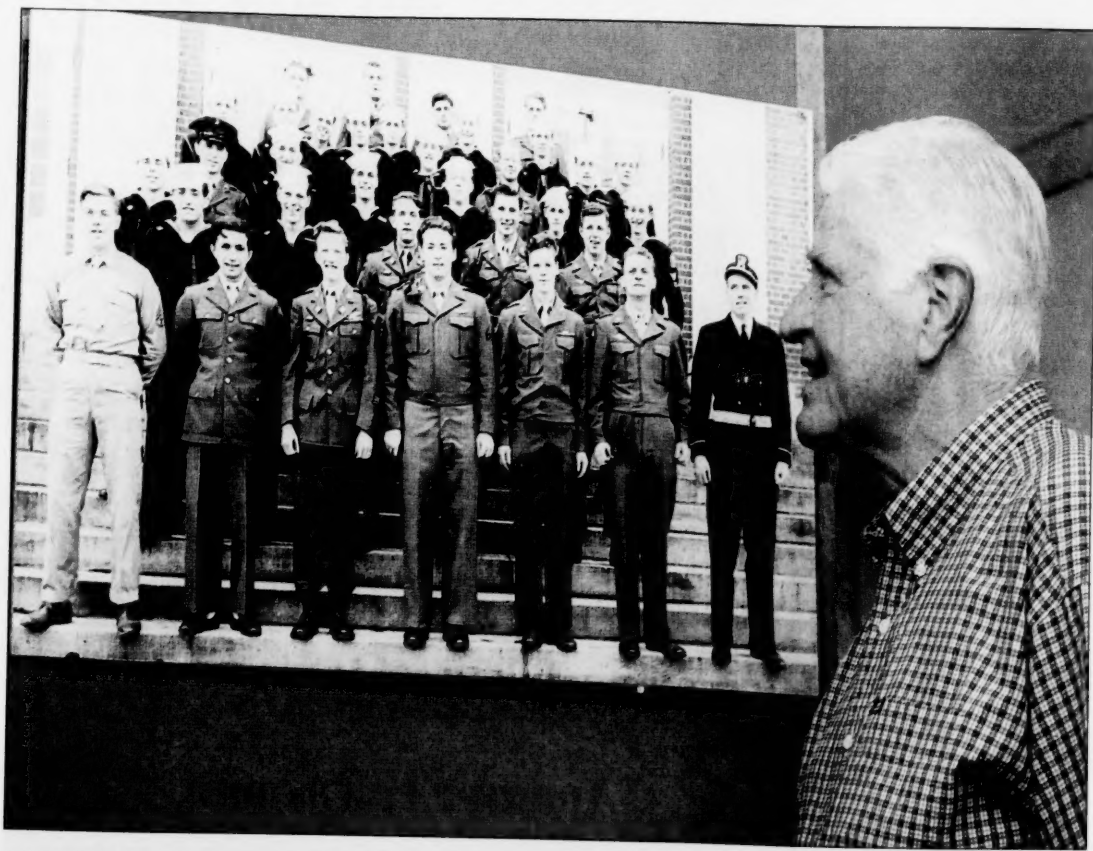
"It would be nice to recognize all of these men," adds Doherty. "They represent a cross section of the contributions of Andover to World War II. We will continue to honor their sacrifices."

### Andover's WWII veterans

A photograph of Andover's World War II servicemen has puzzled veteran John Petty for nearly six decades. Five of the men pictured with him are unknown and Petty is hoping to place names with the faces.

1. Clarence May
2. Bob Colombosian
3. William "Squeak" Munroe
4. George Craig
5. Clinton Shaw
6. Frank Foss
7. John Nicoll
8. Robert Gigas
9. James "Bud" Eaton
10. Phil Crowley
11. Emil Scherner
12. UNKNOWN
13. John Wirtz
14. Billy Dyer
15. Donald "Lefty" Coleman
16. Michael Brennan
17. UNKNOWN
18. William "Billy" Heinrich
19. Jimmy Kellett
20. UNKNOWN
21. John Petty
22. John "Deacon" McGrath
23. UNKNOWN
24. Jim Christie
25. George Monan
26. UNKNOWN
27. Ray Larosa
28. Henry Giamo
29. Homer Judge
30. Arnold Schofield
31. Durwood Moody
32. Jack McGrath
33. Vincent Davey
34. Warren Knipe

If you have any information on the whereabouts of the unknown soldiers pictured, contact Andover Veterans Agent John Doherty at 978-623-8218.



John Petty hopes that townspeople might be able to help determine who the unknown veterans are in the photograph. The numbered photo (at top) corresponds with the names at right (see box). Five veterans from Andover are not accounted for.

PHOTOS BY HEATHER MANCINI



## ALL THOSE YEARS AGO

## 100 Years Ago - 1905

The annual picnic of the Baptist Church Sunday School, held at Haggetts Pond last Saturday, was one of the most enjoyable ever held by the school.

The home of Daniel Murphy on Argilla Road was broken into some time last Saturday afternoon and \$100 was stolen.

The oldest resident of Andover, Mrs. James H. Merrill, has passed another "milestone." Children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren greeted her on her 92nd birthday.

A number of local horsemen went to Dover Wednesday to witness the races at Granite State Park.

Joseph W. Clark, foreman of the carpenter shop of the firm Hardy & Cole, met with a painful accident about 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon. He was working at a circular saw when his hand came in contact with it, lacerating the hand badly. He went to the office of Dr. Leitch, where the wound was dressed. The ligaments were severed and the flesh cut to the bone, the gash being about three inches long.

In a baseball game played by Christ Church choir boys, who were in camp at Canobie Lake, the Reds defeated the Blues, 13 to 3. The Reds also won a cricket game, 58 to 54. The boys enjoyed their outing immensely.

Martin F. Nolan, formerly of

Andover and well-known here, recently secured through Hapgoods, of St. Louis, a good position with Louis Hax Furniture Co., of St. Joseph, Mo. His many friends will be glad to hear of his success.

The Self Improvement Society met Tuesday with Mrs. E. W. Boutwell.

## 75 Years Ago - 1930

The WWG girls of the Baptist Church spent the weekend at Dufton's cottage at Salisbury Beach.

Immunization of school-children from tuberculosis may be expected in future, Dr. Horton Casparius predicted in an address at the East Tennessee regional health workers' conference here.

Miss Dorothy Douglas has resumed her duties in the Merrimack Mutual Fire Insurance Co. after enjoying two weeks at Ogunquit, Maine.

Misses Alice Nelligan of Chestnut Street and Josephine Minor of Maple Avenue spent the weekend at Hampton Beach.

Scout Gayton Yancy of Troop 3 of the South Church has returned home after spending two weeks at Camp Onway Boy Scout Camp at Raymond, N.H. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred R. Yancy of 6 Central St.

Miss Helen Reilly, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Reilly of Haverhill Street, Shawshen

Village, was awarded a silver loving cup as first prize in a fox-trot contest, which was held at the Weirs at Lake Winnepesaukee on Saturday evening. Miss Reilly is spending a two-week vacation with friends at the Weirs.

Miss Bertha Bailey, principal of Abbot Academy, and Miss Helen Ripley of Abbot Street sailed last week on the S.S. America from New York. Miss Ripley will spend the coming year in study at Geneva.

Mr. and Mrs. James Mosher, son Allen and Miss Florence Bilodeau of Argyle Street and Miss Mary Lamont of Summer Street have returned after enjoying a short stay at Lake Winnepesaukee.

## 50 Years Ago - 1955

The Lawrence Electric Co. once again is the town's largest single taxpayer. The American Woolen Co. was the largest last year.

Two polio cases have been reported in Andover.

More than 100 townspeople gathered Monday night to honor three veteran firefighters with combined service of 100 years in the department. The men are: Timothy Madden, 31 years; Kerr Sparks, 32 years; and Ralph Baker, 37 years.

- Compiled by WHAT'S UP contributor Alessandra Siraco

## FOR SENIORS

By Pat Becker

## Andover Senior Center

Here are some of the activities coming up at the Andover Senior Center. Call 978-623-8321 for more information about any classes, programs or services.

**Pennsylvania Dutch Trip:** The center will sponsor a trip to Pennsylvania Dutch country the weekend of Aug. 26-28. The cost includes hotel accommodations (double occupancy), meals, farmer's market, dinner theater, tours and transportation from the center. Cost is \$350 for double occupancy, or \$450 for a single. We have one spot left.

**Garden Tours:** We invite the public to enjoy touring some of Andover's loveliest home gardens. On Tuesday, August 30th we will visit the garden of Vicki Coderre. Spaces are limited and pre-registration is necessary. Directions are available at the center.

**Card Players:** Our drop-in cribbage group meets Monday and Tuesday afternoons at 1, and our men's bridge group gets together every Thursday at 1 p.m. Newcomers are welcome in both groups.

**Book Club:** Our summer book club discussion will continue Thursday, Aug. 24 at 1 p.m. when we will discuss *The Perfect Storm* by Sebastian Junger. Copies of the book are available for checkout at the senior center.

**Ogunquit Trip - On Your Own in Ogunquit:** Choose

how you want to spend the day: explore the Perkins Cove area, visit the Ogunquit Art Museum for the Edward Hopper exhibit on loan from the Whitney Museum in New York; or browse the many attractions in Ogunquit proper, on Tuesday, Aug. 23. Cost is \$20.

**Golf:** Members of our men's group get together every Tuesday morning at 7:30 for a round of golf at the Tewksbury Country Club. Senior rate is \$15 for nine holes. If you'd like to join in, give Bob Henderson a call at 978-858-0815.

**Lobster Bake & Spoon River:** We will hold our annual lobster bake on Saturday, Aug. 20 at 6 p.m. After dinner come with us to a *Spoon River* performance where we'll meet 30 wild characters from the 1890s. Edgar Lee Masters' classic work is highly animated with period costumes and props. This one is usually sold out, so get your tickets (\$15) early; advance reservations only.

**Blood Pressure Checks:** Nurses are available at the center every Wednesday afternoon at 2 for blood pressure checks. There is no charge for this service and reservations are not necessary.

**Exercise Options:** The senior center offers classes in strength training for women, Tai Chi, water workout, beginning and intermediate yoga, tap dancing, men's exercise, low-impact aerobics, cardio

conditioning, easy exercise and square dancing. Fees and schedules are available at the center.

**Massage Therapy:** A licensed massage therapist is on site at the center Monday mornings by appointment, offering seated, upper-body massages. Cost is just \$12 for a 20-minute appointment. Call the center if you would like to try out this great stress reliever.

**Tips for the Late Blooming Handywoman:** Ladies, do you wish you had a handyman? Learn about a few simple tools and a few simple rules, and you can save money and do it yourself. This workshop will be under the direction of Marion Wohlhieter, one of our fix-it shop volunteers and lifelong do-it-yourself expert. Monday, Aug. 15 at 1:30 p.m. Pre-registration is necessary, and spaces are limited, so call the center to add your name to the list.

**Exercise Registration:** Registration for the fall semester of exercise classes will take place the week of Aug. 22. The 12-week fall semester will run from Sept. 6 through Nov. 25.

**Venezia Lunch Trip:** The center will sponsor a trip to the Venezia Waterfront Restaurant on Thursday, Sept. 8 where we'll enjoy meeting head chef Peter Palumbo. Prior to lunch we'll browse the nooks and crannies of Harvard Square. Cost of the trip is \$30, and menu selections are available at the center.

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## FOR THE KID IN YOU

Newspapers  
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## Red or Green?

That's the official New Mexico state question. It means: "Do you want red or green chili peppers on your meal?"

The cuisine in New Mexico is very spicy. The Kid visited Santa Fe and enjoyed great food, unique architecture and an interesting culture.

Santa Fe, New Mexico is the oldest state capital in the United States. Before New Mexico became part of the United States, it was a Spanish colony. The capital of that colony was founded 25 miles north of present day Santa Fe in 1598, 13 years before the Pilgrims landed on the Mayflower. The capital moved to Santa Fe in 1609.

Santa Fe sits in the desert in the Rio Grande River valley between the Jemez and Sangre de Cristo mountains.

Santa Fe gets its unique architectural look from the adobe used to construct most of the buildings. Adobe was used in construction by the Native American tribes who have lived in the area.

The plaza in Santa Fe contains many old buildings from the Spanish colonial days. The Palace of the Governors is the oldest business in the United States. It is now a history museum.

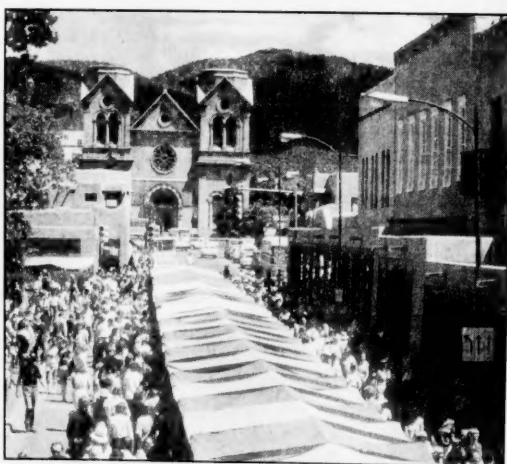


Photo courtesy of the New Mexico Department of Tourism, photographer Mark Nohl  
Santa Fe's Indian Market is held in the historic plaza in August. About 1,200 Native American artists from about 100 tribes sell their work at the market.

The Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi sits at the end of the plaza. The magnificent Catholic church has been at the heart of life in Santa Fe for many years.

Santa Fe is a great cultural city. Museums include the Georgia O'Keeffe Museum, Museum of Fine Arts, Museum of International Folk Art, SITE Santa Fe (a museum for contemporary art) and The Museum of Spanish Colonial Art.

Santa Fe also has many private art galleries and art dealers, especially in the art district called Canyon Road. Many artists have been drawn

to the scenic city and its surroundings. The most famous of these was probably Georgia O'Keeffe. She painted images of the desert landscape and popularized the south-west style of art.

The Santa Fe Opera is one of the most renowned opera companies in the United States. Singers perform in an open air amphitheatre that overlooks the Sangre de Cristo Mountains.

Because of its natural setting near the mountains, Santa Fe is a popular destination for outdoor activities like hiking, biking, rock climbing and skiing in the winter.

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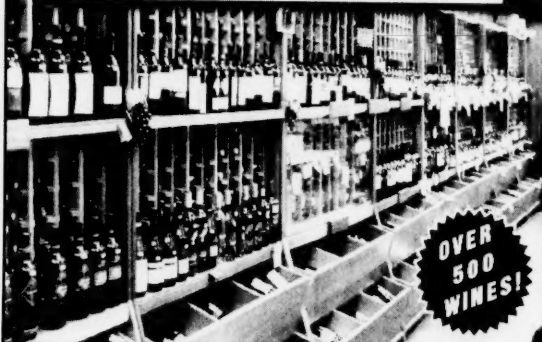
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# Business

Town's 14th largest company

## Smith & Nephew to close Dascomb Road factory

By Andy Murray

After Smith & Nephew closes the doors on its Dascomb Road factory later next year, one of the town's largest businesses will be down – but not necessarily out.

Smith & Nephew last week announced its plans to shutter the Dascomb Road factory over the next 20 months, eventually trimming about 240 jobs from the local community. Coupled with the closure, the London-based medical-device manufacturer said that it would take a \$16 million

charge in the next quarter but will leave intact the Endoscopy unit's headquarters, also in Andover, preserving its 380 jobs.

With 450 employees, Smith & Nephew Endoscopy currently ranks as Andover's 14th largest employer, according to town records prepared for Moody's Investors Service. By the company's own count, it has 620 local workers, good for 10th place but still well behind town leader Raytheon Co. with 3,700 employees.

Still, the loss of the plant – which

produces blades and cameras used for minimally invasive knee and joint surgery – will be felt in Andover.

According to the company, the plant closure should help boost margins for the endoscopy unit – which has been struggling in recent quarters compared to other parts of the company – by about 1 percent.

"This restructuring enables us to compete more effectively in a global business environment," Jim Taylor, president of the company's endoscopy unit, said last week.

Much of the work now performed in Andover will be moved to a facility in Mansfield, southwest of Boston, and to a facility near Oklahoma City. About 40 employees will be offered the opportunity to transfer to Mansfield, although the company has yet to determine when those changes will occur.

Smith & Nephew paid nearly \$63,000 in property taxes last year on the factory, which is valued at nearly \$6.8 million. That was significantly less than each of the town's largest commercial taxpayers, which together

accounted for more than 8 percent of the town's overall tax revenues.

The New England Business Center, the town's 10th largest taxpayer, would have owed approximately \$558,000 on a total assessed property value of \$31 million for the latest fiscal year.

Andover's top five employers are:

- Raytheon Co. with 3,700 employees
- Internal Revenue Service, 2,340
- Philips Electronics, 2,200
- Putnam Investments, 1,800
- Vicor Corp., 1,650

### BRIEFS

#### Bartley Financial Advisors expands into New Hampshire



Robert Bartley

Robert Bartley, an Andover-based certified financial planner and certified public accountant, has announced the opening of a new office in Bedford, N.H.

Bartley Financial Advisors is located at 68 Park St. in Andover, and helps Massachusetts and New Hampshire clients with financial planning and wealth management. Bartley, who grew up in Andover, has been involved with numerous local organizations over the years, according to a release.

#### Beth Poulo certified

Beth Poulo, a Prudential Howe & Doherty realtor was recently certified as a certified buyer representative, the first nationally recognized buyer agency designation, sponsored by realtor boards and associations nationwide. Poulo is an agent with Prudential Howe & Doherty in Andover and is now fully trained on the professional representation of home purchasers.

"We're very proud of this certification for Beth," said JB Doherty, broker and owner of Prudential Howe & Doherty. "We're confident that this new designation and the training she has received will allow her to more fully service her clients in the real estate process."

Poulo works from Prudential Howe & Doherty's office at 12 Bartlet St.

#### Nardone PAN's executive VP

PAN Communications, a public relations firm specializing in technology, professional services and consumer products, has announced the promotion of Andover resident Mark C. Nardone to executive vice president. According to the company, Nardone "will continue to lead client relations at the firm and will expand his role by helping align PAN with marketing, venture capital and businesses that represent synergistic partnership opportunities, along with exploring emerging media technologies that will benefit the agency and its clients."

"As we celebrate the firm's milestone 10th anniversary, it was befitting to recognize Mark's accomplishments for his many years of dedicated service and leadership," said Philip A. Nardone, Jr., president of PAN Communications. "We have a senior team that comprises some of the best and brightest PR professionals in the industry and he serves as a mentor to them all. We're certainly a much stronger firm as a result of his tenacity, commitment and passion."

Mark Nardone has been with PAN Communications since 1995. During his tenure, he has helped grow the firm to the fifth largest independent public relations firm in New England with approximately 60 employees, according to a company release.

Prior to joining PAN, Nardone was an account manager at Rourke & Company (now MS&L), where he managed the firm's largest high-tech portfolio and at the Flatley Company, a real estate developer working in the corporate communications department. Beyond engagements in public relations, he also serves on the board of directors for Children's Friend, a non-profit organization dedicated to improving the lives of children in Essex county, and Synopia, where he serves on the Advisory Board.

## The Vale gets its own scoop shop

Ballardvale Café offers ice cream, coffee to residents, commuters

By Judy Wakefield

When the ice cream urge beckons, Ballardvale residents no longer have to drive far to get a scoop.

Ballardvale Café, on Andover Street next to Spinners Pizza, has just opened and while train commuters like a convenient early-morning opportunity for a daily java jolt, nearby residents are walking to the café for an afternoon or evening ice-cream cone.

"The kids come later in the day and it's families after dinner. They can walk here and they like it. They don't have to drive to Main Street," said Sangita Patel, the owner of Ballardvale Café.

An early riser, she opens the Ballardvale Café at 6 a.m. every day. Donuts, pastries and muffins from Heavenly Donuts are delivered daily. The goodies accompany the Green Mountain coffee counter.

Patel's café opened two weeks ago and took over a space that formerly housed a dry cleaner at the 195 Andover St. location, near the Ballardvale train stop. The married mother of two commutes from Chelmsford to the café.

When she is not scooping ice cream, she is keeping an eye on a small security screen set high on a shelf in the café. Patel also runs a new laundromat business in the same building. Facing Spinners pizza parlor, Ballardvale Café is to the right, while the Best Value Laundromat is on the left end of the building.

"We wash, fold, pick up and drop off," Patel said. "All our equipment is new and clean. And that business is going well, too. People around here are happy to have it."

The new laundromat replaces another laundromat that closed down.

Patel has a small office in the back of the café, and the security camera allows her to keep an eye on the laundromat business while managing the café.

"There is a bell (in the laundromat), so customers can ring me if they need me," she said.

Both businesses are open seven days, but Best Value Laundromat closes at 8:30 p.m., an hour and a half before the café. Patel said the



PHOTO BY HEATHER MANCINI

Ballardvale Café owner Sangita Patel is serving up ice cream as well as coffee and pastries at her new café, diagonally across Andover Street from the Ballardvale train station. She is also operating a laundromat, Best Value Laundromat, in the same building.

Ballardvale area was ripe for an ice cream business as well as another coffee stop for commuters. Her next-door business neighbor, Sunday's General Store, also serves coffee.

Her business joins three other ice-cream businesses in town. Ballardvale Café is serving Richardson's Ice Cream, made by the Middleton dairy. There is also a soft-serve ice-cream

machine from Edy's.

"I hope to serve this community well. And, so far, I have heard from people that they like having ice cream in the evening," said Patel. "I think this is a great business for Ballardvale."

Ballardvale Café is open from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. seven days a week. Best Value Laundromat is open 6 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. daily.

## Bill includes \$6.2M for new I-93 interchange

By Shawn Boburg and Mike Labella

The long-awaited Interstate 93 interchange into the Ballardvale area of Andover has taken another significant step forward.

More than \$6 million for the project has been included as part of a multiyear, \$286.4 billion federal transportation bill. The interchange is meant to allow area businesses in "the Junction" where Andover, Tewksbury and Wilmington meet to expand more easily, while preventing commuters from plugging small side streets, such as those in Ballardvale.

In total, the Merrimack Valley will

receive \$25 million from the bill, the kind of cash that will take some of the projects from concept to concrete.

"This was my No. 1 priority in the transportation bill, and I felt confident after talking to Senator Kennedy that we'd be able to get a significant investment to make this project work," US Congressman Mary Meehan said.

Here is a breakdown of the \$25 million, according to Meehan spokesman Matt Vogel:

• \$6.7 million for the Lawrence Gateway project – a plan to revitalize the city's downtown and historical mill district. The \$22.8 million project

includes the demolition and cleanup of old and contaminated buildings, road improvements, the creation of parking lots, and designs for more than 1 million square feet of office space in the city's empty mills. The project has already received \$7.5 million.

• \$6.2 million for the new I-93 interchange at "the Junction." The entire project will cost between \$40 million and \$50 million, and provide interstate access to more than 200 acres of vacant industrial and commercial property. It would also provide expansion space to large regional employers. In last year's transportation

bill, \$2 million was allocated for the project.

• \$7.6 million for a second downtown Haverhill parking deck. A location has yet to be determined. It is hoped a new deck will attract more people to the downtown and also provide spaces for downtown residents and the 14,000 people who ride the commuter rail from Haverhill each day.

Haverhill Mayor James J. Fiorentini said the federal government has not restricted the use of a new parking garage to the commuter rail station, but it does require the garage to be located near the trains.

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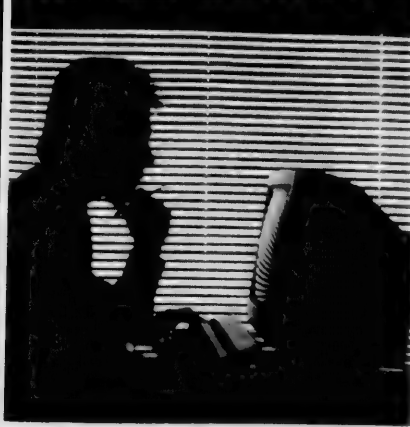


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# Education

## BOOK REVIEW

### Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince

BY J.K. ROWLING

Reviewed by John Chartier and James Caron

John and James review a recently published book that inspired countless "midnight madness" events at bookstores around the country the day it went on sale — author J.K. Rowling's newest, and sixth, edition in the Harry Potter series.

FOR THE PAST FEW YEARS, the name Harry Potter has been synonymous with literary greatness. From a vast empire of novels popular across the globe, to a series of movies that are among the highest grossing of all time, the young boy wizard has enchanted far more of us than we ever imagined.



J.K. Rowling's books continue to sweep us out of our real lives, and into the magical world of Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry, where we have made friends who are as close to real as any characters have the ability to become.

Rowling's newest, and sixth, addition to the Harry Potter series, *Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince*, does not break the spell that the lovable boy wizard seems to have cast over the world.

Despite the return of Lord Voldemort, the most dangerous wizard who ever lived, the wizarding community of Britain is desperately clinging to power. After the Minister of Magic is replaced, however, the reassessment that life must go on becomes concrete once again.

Back at Hogwarts, Harry, Ron and Hermione have enough work piled onto their plates (being N.E.W.T. students, having a new and particularly disturbing Defense Against the Dark Arts teacher, beginning apparition lessons, and the trials of sheer adolescence) without having to think about fighting Lord Voldemort again.

Their sixth year at Hogwarts is unlike anything that the three friends have encountered, however. Not only do their private lives become tangled in webs of romance and confusion, but their schoolwork becomes impacted when Harry is loaned a schoolbook that seems to have all the right answers to all the right questions — written right there in the margins.

Not only do Harry's classes become more difficult, but he and Dumbledore become closer on a level that might serve a higher purpose than either foresees.

The real problems begin to arise when loyalties are questioned, true intentions are shrouded in a mist of darkness, and trust seems to be the rarest and most elusive quality in the world. In the end, Harry, Ron and Hermione walk away from Hogwarts having gained something immense, yet having lost something just as important.

*Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince* is another home run by Rowling. She has once again managed to lock the reader in the literary chokehold for which she is so famous. Her descriptions and dimensions of the characters continue to make each seem real.

We must warn people that the ending of *Half-Blood Prince* is sure to upset many readers, and should be considered before picking up the novel. Make no mistake — a main character is killed gruesomely, and this death is one that has the potential to change the lives of countless characters who have graced the pages of the novels in the series.

*Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince* is a much darker book on the whole than the preceding five novels. This is not necessarily a bad thing — in fact, it gives the book a new dimension of realism that was not been present in the previous stories.

Different is not always bad.

We recommend *Half-Blood Prince* to readers ages 11 and older, because of its dark nature, themes (namely death), and general situations the characters now encounter. As the books have progressed, the ages of the characters and maturity level of the themes have as well. This means that Harry, Ron and Hermione are at least 16 during the course of the novel (nearly 17). The older the reader, the more he or she will be able to relate to the novel.

We give *Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince* a

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Andover readers Estelle (left) and Camille Black immerse themselves in a summertime world of words at Memorial Hall Library.

## Nothing to do during the summer? No way, teens say — books are great!

Schools' lists cover all the genres, while library offers incentives to read

By Rita Savard

FORGET ABOUT VIDEO GAMES, chat rooms and reality TV. This summer, Camille Black, 13, has crossed continents, learned a few lessons from an aging professor, got caught in the middle of an upside down romance and met a "clique" of girls living in Westchester, N.Y. — without ever leaving her room.

Travel. Adventure. Mystery. Intrigue. Wherever youths' interests lie, summer reading lists are encouraging them to turn off the television and tune in to their imaginations.

"It's a great escape," says Camille, whose favorite read has been *Tuesdays with Morrie* by Mitch Albom. "It had meaning and it taught a lot of life lessons. It made me laugh and cry," she adds. "I think reading is important because it keeps your mind working."

From elementary school to high school, Andover schools' recommended summer reading lists cover all the genres.

Whether it's brain food or just for the pure purpose of entertainment, the steady flow of books moving off shelves at the Andover Bookstore and at Memorial Hall Library are indicating a positive trend: teen reading is on the rise.

"I've definitely noticed an

increase in kids picking up books this year more than any other," says Karen Harris, events coordinator at the bookstore. Harris, who has worked at the store for 15 years, estimates that at least 10 to 12 teens come in to browse every day.

Inside the library's teen reading room, gaping holes stand out like missing teeth among the stacks.

"Our offerings have really been depleted this summer," says librarian Kim Lynn. "The more they read, the better."

Working in conjunction with Andover schools, Memorial Hall Library has been giving out tickets for each book read. On Tuesday, Aug. 16, a drawing will award Andover's most voracious young readers with prizes, including CDs, free movie rentals, books and an inflatable couch.

Besides offering some fun incentives for kids to bury their noses in books, town educators are counting on kids staying hooked.

"It's amazing the amount of information students can lose

over the summer," says Pat Bucco, principal at Wood Hill Middle School. "Reading keeps their brains ticking beyond the computer and TV, and keeping their brains focused is a good thing."

With a reading list extending to about 175 titles, Wood Hill and West middle schools did include one summer homework assignment. All new and returning students are required to have read *Nothing But The Truth* by Avi upon returning to school next month.

Written as a series of journal entries, memos, letters and dialogues, the book emerges into a satire of high school politics, revealing how truth can easily become distorted.

After the main character, freshman Phillip Malloy, is punished for causing a disturbance during morning exercises (humming the *Star Spangled Banner*), facts about the incident become exaggerated until it turns into a national scandal.

"It has a lot of themes that are of interest to kids," said Denise

Holmes, principal at West Middle School. "Our wish is that students will be reading from the list because it's good literature. But ultimately, whatever they're interested in, we just hope kids stay reading over the summer."

Teens' top choices for books from the summer reading list are *Eragon* by Christopher Paolini and *The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy* by Douglas Adams. A popular pick outside the list is Ann Brashares' *Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants*.

According to the bookstore and the library, the most read book by teens in Andover this summer is, hands down, *Harry Potter and the Half Blood Prince* by J.K. Rowling (see review at left).

Since the book's debut on July 16, Andover Bookstore reports selling 559 copies of the young wizard's latest chronicle.

Despite the overall book boom, booksellers and librarians are still bracing for a last-minute rush.

"We've had huge crowds of kids come in at the beginning of the summer and then stay steady throughout," says Harris. "But there will be another big crowd coming in the week right before school starts, to catch up on anything they can before heading back to school."

**"I've definitely noticed an increase in kids picking up books this year more than any other."**

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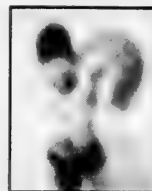
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## ON CAMPUS

**Stephanie L. Pierce** of Andover received a bachelor of arts degree at Colby College in Waterville, Maine, on May 22. She majored in sociology and was named to the dean's list.

**Stephanie L. Pierce**

Pierce, a graduate of Andover High School, is the daughter of Roger and Judith Pierce of Andover.

**Dianna Crawford** and **Kara Huston**, members of the Union College class of 2007 in Schenectady, N.Y., will participate this fall in the college's term-abroad program. Crawford will be going to Antwerp, Belgium, and Huston will be going to York, England.

Crawford, a resident of 206 River Road, is a 2003 graduate of Andover High School. During her time in Belgium, she will study at the University of Antwerp-RUCA. The university offers a wide variety of courses, allowing her to continue pursuing her area of study, organizers said.

Huston, a resident of 6 Garfield Lane West, is a 2003 graduate of Concord Academy. During her time in York, she will study at the University College of Ripon and York St. John. There, she will choose classes from the Ripon and St. John catalogue.

North Shore Community College announced that **Edward Starr**, majoring in telecommunications technology, was a dean's list student for the winter/spring semester.

**David Powers**, son of David P. and Mary Ellen Powers of Andover, graduated May 22 from Amherst College in Amherst. He received a bachelor of arts degree.

Powers, who majored in English, entered Amherst after Deerfield Academy in Deerfield.

On May 21, Tilton School in Tilton, N.H. celebrated its 160th commencement with the graduation of seniors and post-graduates, including **Allison Lindsay Brown** of Andover.

On Saturday, May 21, the F.W. Olin Graduate School of Business at Babson College, Wellesley, conferred master of business administration degrees on students.

**Melissa Dennis** of Woburn earned an MBA from Babson. Dennis is a former resident of Andover and a graduate of Andover High School. She earned her undergraduate degree from Bryant College in 1996 with a dual degree in computer information systems and

management. She is the daughter of Thomas and Barbara Dennis of Andover.

Dennis is employed as the enterprise services manager at Silverlink Communications in Burlington.

Students were named to the spring dean's list at Keene State College in Keene, N.H. They include **Kara Marie Spang** of Andover.

To qualify for the dean's list, Keene State undergraduates must be enrolled in a degree program; they must have completed a minimum of six credit hours in the semester, receiving no failing or incomplete grades. Students must achieve a 3.5 or higher grade-point average on a 4.0 scale to earn dean's list honors.

**Laura Dukeshire** of Andover made Lasell College's spring dean's list in Newton, Mass. Dukeshire, a member of the class of 2008, has yet to declare a major.

Lasell College is a four-year, co-educational, professional liberal arts college that prepares graduates for the worlds of business, education, and the health sciences.

**Alexander E. Raskin**, a resident of Andover, received a bachelor of arts degree in communication studies from the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences at Alfred University during commencement exercises May 14, at McLane Center on the AU campus in Alfred, N.Y.

Raskin is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred C. Raskin of Andover. He is a graduate of Andover High School.

Framingham State College held its commencement on Sunday, May 22 on Framingham Village Green in Framingham Center.

Receiving a bachelor of arts in psychology was **Alejandro Verdaguier** of Andover.

Fitchburg State College announced the names of local students included on the dean's list for the spring semester.

Andover students named to the dean's list are: **Joeliza Minaya**, BS in human services; and **Kaitlin V. Pelletier**, BS in elementary education.

A student is placed on the dean's list for the semester if an average grade of 3.20 or better is attained, and the student is attending the college full time.

A student from Andover has been named to the dean's list at the University of South Carolina in Columbia, S.C., for the spring semester.

Students from Andover include: **Ashley Nicole Beaucaire**.

The dean's list includes the names of students with a grade-point ratio of 3.5 or higher (3.25 or higher for freshmen) during

the semester.

**Ryan Durkin**, son of Nancy Durkin of Andover, was recently awarded the Kenneth L. O'Brien Scholarship from Commonwealth College, the honors college at the University of Massachusetts Amherst.

The scholarship, established by UMass Amherst alumnus Peter Bloom in honor of his athletic coach, Kenneth L. O'Brien, is awarded to a student with an outstanding academic record participating in an intercollegiate sport at UMass Amherst. The scholarship offers a one-time grant that is applied directly toward the student's tuition and fees in the following academic year.

Durkin will be a sophomore at UMass Amherst this fall where he has declared majors in finance and philosophy.

He is a member of the Finance Society and Investment Club at the UMass Isenberg School of Management and participates in the cross-country and track and field varsity teams.

This year, he scored in the A-10 Track and Field Championships for both seasons. A 2004 graduate of Andover High School, Durkin ran track and cross-country.

Commonwealth College provides academic challenges for talented undergraduates at UMass Amherst through small honors courses, special seminars and close interactions with professors.

**Diana M. Stapinski**, a sophomore, **Troy K. Lieberman**, a junior, **Zachary E. Goldman**, a junior, and **Michelle A. Easton**, a first-year student, were named to the dean's list at Colby College in Waterville, Maine after their academic achievement during the spring semester of the 2004-05 academic year.

Stapinski, the daughter of Stephen and Patricia Stapinski of Andover, is majoring in economics and Spanish. She attended Pingree School.

Lieberman, the son of Lyle and Kim Lieberman of Andover, is majoring in government. He attended Andover High School.

Goldman, the son of Bruce and Margo Goldman of Andover, is majoring in chemistry and biochemistry. He attended Andover High School. Easton, the daughter of Christopher and Karen Easton of Andover, is majoring in sociology. She attended Phillips Academy.

To make the dean's list, Colby requires a grade-point average of at least 3.2 for upperclassmen or at least 3.0 for first-year students.

On June 5, **Susan H. Smith** of 33 Wildwood Road earned her doctor of education degree in language and literacy from the University of Massachusetts Lowell.



**Susan H. Smith**

In addition, in the spring Smith was also awarded the Excellence in Education award from the city of Melrose, where she has taught for the past 30 years.

**Justin Leider**, 3 Wyncrest Circle, earned a perfect 4.0 grade-point average and was awarded the distinction of Presidential Scholar during the spring term at Clarkson University in Potsdam, N.Y.

Leider, double-majoring in computer science and technical communications, will begin his senior year this month.

Leider is also the webmaster for the Clarkson Outing Club and participates in intramural ice hockey.

He graduated from Andover High School in 2002 and played on Andover's varsity ice hockey team for two years. Leider is currently employed on a summer internship at General Dynamics in Pittsfield, writing software for a Trident nuclear submarine.

Six local students were among 517 seniors to receive bachelor's degrees during the 139th commencement ceremony at Bates College, held Monday, May 30 in Lewiston, Maine.

The class was the largest ever graduated at Bates, which is celebrating the 150th anniversary of its founding this year. Andover graduates follow.

**Robin W. Karfunkel** graduated with a bachelor of arts degree in neuroscience. She was elected to the honors society Sigma Xi, which recognizes independent scientific research accomplishments. A dean's list student, Karfunkel participated in the 2005 Mount David Summit, the college's annual celebration of student academic achievement. She was a member of the equestrian team, psychology club, film board and Bates Hillel. A 2001 graduate of Andover High School, she is the daughter of Perry and Lois Karfunkel, 22 Orchard Crossing.

**Charles H. Murnane III** graduated with a bachelor of arts degree in psychology. He participated in the 2005 Mount David Summit, the college's annual celebration of student academic achievement. A 2001

graduate of Phillips Academy, he is the son of Charles Murnane Jr., 246 Andover St.

**Alison J. Pennelli** graduated with a bachelor of arts degree in political science and a secondary concentration in education. A dean's list student, she worked for four years in the school system in Lewiston. A graduate of Brooks School, she is the daughter of Paul and Patty Pennelli, 3 Twin Brook Circle.

**Kathryn E. Sand** graduated magna cum laude with a bachelor of science degree in economics. She was elected to the honors society Phi Beta Kappa. A dean's list student, Sand studied in the United Kingdom during the winter semester of her junior year. A 2001 graduate of Phillips Academy, she is the daughter of David and Jean Sand, 17 Abbot St.

**Benjamin J. Wish** graduated cum laude with a bachelor of arts degree in environmental studies, political science and Russian. A dean's list student, he studied in Russia during the fall semester of his junior year and participated in the 2005 Mount David Summit, the college's annual celebration of student academic achievement. Wish was involved with the environmental group on campus and was a 2003 recipient of an award recognizing his efforts to raise awareness and implement programs that encourage environmental sustainability. A 2001 graduate of Lawrence Academy, he is the son of William and Elizabeth Wish, 6 Penbrook Circle.

Cornell University announced that the following students from Andover graduated with the class of 2005 during commencement ceremonies in Ithaca, N.Y., May 29:

Andover graduates, their majors and degrees include: **Chieh-Yin Lee**, computer science, BS.

**Brendan Ahern**, history, AB.

**Benjamin Davis**, religious studies, AB.

**Michael Huang**, hotel and restaurant administration, BS.

**Melinda Hung**, biological sciences, AB.

**Rachel Robinson**, mechanical engineering, BS.

**Andrew Timko**, research and engineering, BS.

**Rachel Weiner**, urban and regional studies, BS.

**Matthew Wessler**, law, JD.

Vassar College's 141st commencement was held Sunday, May 22 in Poughkeepsie, N.Y.

Bachelor of arts degrees were conferred upon seniors, including **Christopher H. Webber**, who majored in economics and psychology. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William

J. Webber of Andover.

**Shana Lynn Hancock**, the daughter of Richard and Linda Hancock, has been accepted by the Fashion Institute of Design and Merchandising, majoring in fashion design.

Hancock is a 2004 graduate of Andover High School and is looking forward to a career in the fashion industry.

FIDM, reportedly the largest accredited college of its kind in the western US, has been preparing students for careers in fashion-related industries for more than 25 years.

More than 3,500 full time students are pursuing associate of arts and associate of arts professional designation degrees in apparel manufacturing management, beauty industry merchandising, fashion design, graphic design, interior design, merchandise marketing, product development, textile design, and visual communications.

Headquartered in Los Angeles, FIDM also has campuses located in San Francisco, San Diego, and Orange County.

Plymouth State University in Plymouth, N.H. celebrated its 134th commencement on Saturday, May 21, presenting diplomas to graduates including **Joy Ciruso**, **David Guertin** and **Matthew Rosensweig**, all of Andover.

**Mark Boilard** of Salem Street was named to the dean's list for the spring semester at Quinnipiac University in Connecticut.

**Christen Stumpf**, the daughter of Pamela and Stuart Stumpf of Andover, was named to the dean's list for the 2004-05 academic year at Washington University in St. Louis, Mo.

Stumpf is a graduate of Central Catholic High School in Lawrence, and is enrolled in the university's School of Architecture.

To qualify for the dean's list in the School of Architecture, students must be enrolled in a minimum of 12 graded units in each semester and 27 total graded units for the academic year.

Students must receive a minimum of 18 units of A grades and a maximum of nine units of B grades.

Among the spring graduates of Westfield State College in Westfield, Mass. was **Tara J. Flanagan** of Andover.

Flanagan received a bachelor of arts degree in psychology.

**Casey Russo** of Andover, enrolled in the School of Architecture at Syracuse University, was among the academic degree candidates honored at

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## LOCAL SCHOLARS

Our Lady of Nazareth Academy announced that the following Andover resident has been named to the honor roll for the fourth marking term of the 2004-05 academic year. Nazareth Academy, a college preparatory high school for young women is located in Wakefield.

Receiving third honors was senior **Jessica Sannella** of Andover.

Elizabeth (Betsy) McGovern and David Lowenstein, eighth-grade students at West Middle School in Andover, were honored at the Sixth Annual Middle Level Scholar Leader Awards Banquet, held at the DCU Center in Worcester, on May 26. The Middle Level Scholar Leaders Award is organized annually by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Middle Level Educators (COMMLE) and the New England League of Middle Schools (NELMS).

Honorees throughout Massachusetts were presented with an award recognizing their achievements. The criteria for being chosen to receive the Middle Level Scholar Leader Award include demonstrating academic initiative and scholarship, providing service to classmates and school, exemplifying positive attitudes, and demonstrating leadership in the classroom and school activities.

Twenty-six area piano students successfully completed the requirements for membership in the National Fraternity of Student Musicians, sponsored by the National Guild of Piano Teachers, Teacher Division, of the American College of Musicians.

**Abigail Howard** of Andover was among the students who participated in the National Piano Playing Auditions and received awards.

This group of piano students from the studio of Rusty Palumbo of Reading was reviewed on May 20 and 21 by an adjudicator.

The students were awarded various levels of honors according to the number and difficulty of pieces chosen from the great masters of piano literature.

**Lauren W. Marsh** and **Mairiad S. Small**, both of Andover and 11th-graders at Phillips Exeter Academy in Exeter, N.H., have earned high honors, completing their third year at the independent secondary school.

The Fenn School of Concord, Mass., announced its honor roll for the third term. Named to the honor roll were Andover students **Alden French**, academic high honors; and **Andrew Richardson**, academic honors.

The Andover Chapter of the American Field Services (AFS) announced the award of the first annual Jan Sagaser Memorial AFS Scholarship to **Andrew Geraghty**, in the amount of \$5,000. AFS is an inter-cultural student exchange program that was started after World War II. Through the semester and year-long student exchanges, students have the opportunity to live in another culture and become fully immersed in it. This is beneficial in fostering mutual understanding in this global community we all live in.

Andrew is a senior from Reading who attends Phillips Academy. He will spend a year in Germany, with a volunteer host family.

The Jan Sagaser scholarship was started in 2005 in memory of Jan Sagaser, who was an active participant in the AFS program since 1963 and also worked with the Andover chapter of ABC. The program that AFS represents and the benefits to the world community were central in this lifelong passion of Jan Sagaser.

Each year Andover sends several students abroad and also hosts several students from various countries at homes in Andover, where these students also attend Andover High School.

Students interested in the AFS programs abroad or prospective families interested in hosting a student from abroad for a summer, semester, or year are encouraged to contact Ginny Cohen at 475-7153.

## ON CAMPUS

## SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY

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the University's 151st commencement ceremony held May 15 in the university's Carrier Dome.

Russo received a bachelor's degree in architecture.

The five-year undergraduate program leads to a bachelor of architecture degree.

**Nicholas Webber** of Andover, a freshman majoring in information management and technology, is enrolled in the School of Information Studies at Syracuse University.

Webber was named to the dean's list for the spring semester.

To qualify for the dean's list, students must achieve at least a 3.4 grade point average (on a 4.0 scale) during the semester.

**Anna Floreen** of Andover, enrolled in the College of Human Services and Health Professions at Syracuse University, was among the academic degree candidates honored at the university's 151st commencement ceremony held May 15 in the university's Carrier Dome.

Floreen received a bachelor of science degree in child and family studies.

The College of Human Services and Health Professions brings together Syracuse University's professional programs in child and family studies, marriage and family therapy, nursing, nutrition and hospitality management, and social work in an environment of cross-disciplinary teaching, research, practice, and service. Through classroom learning and hands-on experience, students in the college are prepared for careers in the helping professions.

**Jessica Leider** of Andover, a junior majoring in health and exercise science in the School of Education at Syracuse University, was named to the dean's list for the spring semester.

To qualify, students must achieve at least a 3.4 grade-point average (on a 4.0 scale) during the semester.

**Laura O'Connell, David Tanklefsky** and **Lindsey Timko**, all Andover students enrolled in the S.I. Newhouse School of Public Communications at Syracuse University, were named to the dean's list for the spring semester.

To qualify for the dean's list, students must achieve at least a 3.4 grade-point average (on a 4.0 scale) during the semester.

O'Connell is majoring in advertising.

Tanklefsky is majoring in broadcast journalism.

Timko is majoring in public communications.

**Eric Saline** of Andover was awarded a master of fine arts in printmaking from Massachusetts College of Art in an outdoor ceremony held at the college in Boston on Friday, May 20.

Graduate and undergraduate students from Tufts University in Medford and Somerville, including **Sapna Malwal** of Andover, received degrees during 2005 commencement ceremonies.

**Alyssa L. Bindman** of

Cherokee Circle was named to the dean's list at the University of Pennsylvania for the academic year 2004-05.

Students who achieve a grade-point average of 3.7 or better over two semesters are placed on the list with a notation on their transcript.

**Bindman**, 19, graduated from Andover High in 2004. She is the daughter of Carl Bindman and Marjory Sherman-Bindman.

Boston University awarded academic degrees to students in May. Receiving degrees were Andover residents **Sean T. Carlson**, BA in communication and political science, summa cum laude with distinction; **Susan A. Casey**, MBA in public management, honors; **Christine S. Ha**, BS in childhood (elementary) education; **Iwo O. Kadziela**, BA in economics, cum laude; **Andrew Kao**, MBA in business administration/management and information systems; **Kerrien K. O'Brien**, BS in communication, cum laude; **Justin H. Ordman**, BS in communication; **Benjamin D. Park**, JD in law; **Wioletta S. Pawlowska**, EdM in counseling.

**Nicholas Benjamin Schade**, son of Michael Schade of Andover, and **Rebecca Ann Wolk**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Wolk of Andover, each received a bachelor of science degree from Brown University on Sunday, May 29.

The university conferred undergraduate degrees during commencement exercises at the First Baptist Church in America and on the College Green.

Schade completed an academic concentration in mathematics and physics, magna cum laude. He was a member of the Phi Beta Kappa and Sigma Xi honorary societies. He received one of the Lindsay Prizes, which is funded by the William Gaston Premium Scholarship.

Wolk completed an academic concentration in neuroscience, magna cum laude. She was a member of the Phi Beta Kappa honorary society.

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## Young boy wizard

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# Sports

Robbins/Suburban Pony League championship

## Champions are Blue!

Andover Blue 14-15 team wins it all; 13-year-olds are 2nd

By Rick Harrison

The Andover Blue 14-15 team won the Robbins/Suburban Pony League championship, while the Andover 13-year-olds placed second after both competed in best-of-3 final playoff series last weekend.

Andover Blue captured the older division title with a pair of convincing 9-2 and 5-1 wins over perennial contender Lowell.

Blue completed the season with a 19-4 overall record after a perfect 6-0 run through three playoff series.

Lowell, in the finals for the fourth time in five years, had beaten Blue in the 2001 (three games) and 2004 (sweep) championship play-offs.

The top-seeded Andover 13's took all three of their playoff series to the three-game limit.

In the quarterfinal and semifinal rounds against Lynnfield and North Andover, the locals lost the opening game (5-4 and 6-2) before rebounding to win the final two.

The title series against No. 2 seed Dracut East was the exact opposite, opening with a 3-0 Andover win followed by a 5-1 Dracut triumph.

That set up a winner-take-all showdown at Aumais Park captured by Dracut, 3-2.

The Andover 13's finished the season at 21-4 overall.

### ROBBINS PONY LEAGUE Championship Playoffs 14-15 DIVISION

Andover Blue, which entered the playoffs as the No. 4 seed, went through undefeated and completed its 6-0 run to the title with the impressive sweep of defending champ and No. 2 seed Lowell.

After pounding out the lopsided 9-2 first-game win at Shedd Park in Lowell, Blue rode a brilliant pitching performance by Mike Pierce to the title-clinching 5-1 triumph at Aumais Park.

The visitors managed only one baserunner in the entire game, as Zack Roy led off the Lowell sixth with a triple and scored an

unearned run on a wild pitch.

By that time Andover had built a 5-0 lead, scoring three runs in the bottom of the third and two in the fourth.

Pierce finished with a complete-game one-hitter, three strikeouts and no walks.

Pierce and Mike Morander laced an RBI single each in the third.

P.J. Farnham contributed a run-scoring double, and highlighting the fourth-inning rally were singles by Andrew Ruiz and Kevin Hitchko (RBI).

Ruiz finished the game with two hits.

In the opening game, Blue poured across six runs in the top of the third to take a commanding lead.

The champs built the advantage to 9-0 before Lowell broke up the shutout bid with a pair of runs in the sixth.

"Blue hit the heck out of the ball all season," said Lowell manager Mark DeFor. "Boy, can they swing the bat."

"We have no complaints. The better team definitely won this series (and the title)."

Blue advanced to the championship playoffs, for the third time in five years, after knocking out top seed Tyngsboro Red following a pair of lopsided 12-2 and 15-5 romps in the semifinals.

In the quarterfinals the locals swept past No. 5 seed Methuen Blue.

### 13 DIVISION

#### GAME 1

#### Andover 3

#### Dracut East 0

Matt Gadziala got Andover off on the right foot in the title series, firing a route-going three-hit shutout and fanning four as host Andover took the opener against Dracut East at the West Middle School field.

The locals notched the only run necessary in the first frame, and it remained 1-0 until the fifth when two insurance runs were added.

Chris McConnell paced the Andover attack with a pair of hits and an RBI, while Jake Ponti drilled a run-scoring double.

Adding a single each were C.J. Leary, Spencer Rose and Conor Flanagan.

David Parent tossed a complete-game six-hitter for Dracut (19-8), fanning four, and the three East hits were singles by Andrew Larmand in the fourth, Pat Taylor in the fifth and Aaron Barbosa in the sixth.

Dracut had runners at first and second base in both the first and seventh innings, but Andover turned a pair of double plays to end those threats.

### GAME 2 Dracut East 5 Andover 1

In the second game of the series, Andover managed just three hits and dropped the decision at the Dracut High junior varsity field.

Lefthander Kyle Adie shackled the locals to improve his season record to 7-2.

Spencer Rose also pitched well for the locals, who were locked in a scoreless tie until Dracut notched two runs in the fourth and three more in the fifth.

Andover avoided the shutout in the sixth when Chris McConnell walked and later crossed on a single by Rose.

McConnell also smacked a double in the first and Kris Riemer laced a third-inning single.

East had fourth-inning RBI singles by Andrew Larmand and Jake Malandrino, while Adie lashed a double to score David Parent (walk) and Pat Taylor contributed an RBI single in the fifth.

Mike Bergeron (double), Aaron Barbosa (single) and Nick Esposito (single) had a safety each for Dracut.

These two teams also split a pair of regular season games, Andover winning 9-6 and Dracut handing the locals their only pre-playoff loss, 1-0.

### GAME 3 Dracut East 3 Andover 2

The winner-take-all title showdown was a 0-0 battle entering the fifth inning, where Dracut put up two runs on an RBI single by Tom Cleary and sacrifice fly by Aaron Barbosa.

Andover threatened in the bottom of the stanza, putting runners on first and second before a key double play ended the bid.

The locals then notched a run in the sixth before the rivals traded tallies in the seventh.

East made it 3-1 on a sac-fly by David Parent, rescuing Justin Deneu who singled to lead off the inning.

Battling to the end, Andover notched its second run in the bottom of the seventh when Matt Gadziala smacked a leadoff triple and scored on a wild pitch.

But Dracut righthander Andrew Larmand settled down to retire the next three batters in a row, including two on strikeouts, as Dracut clinched its second Pony title in three years.

Larmand fired a complete-game four-hitter and struck out six.

Members of the regular season North Division champion Andover 13-year-old team include second baseman Conor Flanagan, pitcher/infielder Matt Gadziala, shortstop John Hennessy, catcher C.J. Leary, infielder Christian Lightner, outfielder Chris McConnell, outfielders John and Brian McNiff, catcher Marty Murphy, pitcher/third baseman Alex Patti, first baseman/outfielder Jake Ponti, first baseman/pitcher Kris Riemer, outfielder Spencer Rose and outfielder Akira Sembommatu.

Flanagan, Gadziala, Leary, McConnell, Patti, Ponti, Riemer and Rose are all graduates of the 2004 Andover National Major 11-12 Division Little League All-Star team that won the District 14 title last summer and advanced to the State Sectional finals.

## Fall sports practice sessions, tryouts set

By Rick Harrison

Andover High 2005 fall sports pre-season practice and tryout sessions will begin the fourth week of August.

All student/athletes are required to have a current (within the last 13 months) physical exam on file with the athletic department before participating.

Physicals paperwork may be mailed to the athletic department at Andover High School, Shawsheen Road, Andover, 01810.

For more information, contact the athletic office at 978-623-8670. The schedule:

### CROSS COUNTRY

#### (Boys & Girls)

All candidates meet in the field house parking lot, ready to run, on Thursday, Aug. 25 at 8:30 a.m.

### FIELD HOCKEY

All candidates meet on the field hockey field, behind the field house, on Thursday, Aug. 25 for double sessions. The morning session will run 8-11 a.m. and the afternoon session 3-5:30 p.m. Same tryout times for Friday. Saturday will be morning only.

### FOOTBALL

Conditioning sessions will be held Aug. 22, 23 and 24 from 3-5 p.m. at the high school. Upperclassmen will leave for camp on Thursday, Aug. 25. Freshmen practices begin on Monday, Aug. 22 from 8-10 a.m. and will continue all week at the same time. Equipment will be issued Saturday morning, Aug. 20 with seniors reporting at 9 a.m., juniors at 9:30, sophomores at 10 and freshmen at 11 a.m.

### GOLF

All candidates meet on Thursday, Aug. 25 at 7 a.m. at Merrimack Golf Course in Methuen.

### BOYS SOCCER

All candidates meet on Thursday, Aug. 25 at the Wood Hill Middle School. The double session will run from 8:30-11 a.m. and 3-5 p.m. Freshmen may come at this time if they want to try out for the varsity or junior varsity teams. Tryouts for the freshman team will begin after school on Sept. 6.

### GIRLS SOCCER

All candidates meet at the West Middle School on Thursday, Aug. 25 for double sessions. The morning session will run from 8-11 a.m. and the afternoon session from 3-5:30 p.m. Freshman may come at this time if they want to try out for the varsity or junior varsity teams. Tryouts for the freshman team will begin after school on Sept. 6.

### GIRLS SWIM & DIVE

All candidates meet at the Greater Lawrence Vo-Tech swimming pool on Thursday, Aug. 25 at 7:30 a.m. Practice will end at 11:30 a.m. the first day. Candidates must bring swimsuits, goggles, cap (not lycra), water bottle, workout clothes for dry land training and running shoes.

### GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

All candidates meet at the high school (Dunn) gym on Thursday, Aug. 25. The session will run from 8:30 a.m. to noon.

## A DOZEN DISTRICT 8 CHAMPIONSHIPS FOR ANDOVER POST 8



COURTESY PHOTO

The Andover Post 8 American Legion baseball team, pictured at left, recently completed another outstanding season. The team won the District 8 championship for the 12th time in the last 17 years, captured a pair of best-of-3 Sectional playoff series against Lowell and Peabody, and qualified for the State Tournament final 8 for the eighth time since 1989. Post 8 was 15-1 in district play, 17-1 during the regular season and 21-4 overall. The 2004 state champs were ousted from this year's state tourney in Milford after close 7-5 and 8-6 losses to the two finalists, Sandwich Post 188 and host Milford Post 59. Sandwich won the title by defeating Milford, 9-2, in the championship game. Thirteen players on this year's Legion team were also members of the 2004 state champs. Pictured, front row, from left: Craig Lanciani, Patrick Bateson, Kevin Calabro, Paul Malaguti, Conor Burke, Matt Iorio, Ryan Shepard and Tom Arrigg. Back, from left: Assistant Coach Keith Grant, Tim Hughes, Myke Fortier, Joel Keefe, Matt Hogan, Manager Joe Iarrobino, Dan Godefroi, Nick Caro, Andrew Hennessy, Assistant Coach Kevin Rourke and Zach O'Donnell. Missing when the photo was taken: Dan Haugh.

— Rick Harrison

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# Spectacular summer for Oppenheim

By Rick Harrison

PROFESSIONAL GOLFER Rob Oppenheim of Andover is having an outstanding 2005 season while playing on both the New England-based Cleveland Tour and the Canadian Tour.

This past weekend he finished tied for third place in the Canadian Tour's Montreal Open, completing the 72-hole tournament at the difficult, windswept Ile de Montreal course in 1-under 67-72-68-279.

The 25-year-old former Andover High (1998 graduate) and Rollins College (2002) star linksman jumped from fifth place to third when he birdied the 17th hole and parred the 18th in Sunday's final round.

It was his best finish on the Canadian Tour, and the final-round 68 matched the best score of the day.

Earlier this week, playing in a three-day, 54-hole Cleveland Tour event at Sterling (Mass.) Country Club, Oppenheim carded an opening round 67 and a 7-under second round 64 to stand in fifth place (four shots off the lead) entering the final round.

With perfect conditions on Tuesday, scores were once again very low and the course record was broken as leader Brian Lamberti fired a 61.

Overall, Oppenheim was 11-under at 67-64-131 while Lamberti sat at 15-under 66-61-127.

The tourney wrapped up yesterday after *Townsmen* presstime.

Today (Thursday) he begins play

in the Maine Open at Riverside CC in Portland.

Oppenheim's most impressive performance of the summer, to date, came at the recent New Hampshire Open which he won by one stroke after firing a spectacular 61-68-129 over 36 holes.

The 61 was 10-under par and a new course record at North Conway Country Club, snapping the old mark held by Rich Parker of Lebanon, N.H. who ironically was playing in Oppenheim's group that day.

The local standout, who grew up in a house just a chip shot away from Indian Ridge Country Club, posted 10 birdies and eight pars while fashioning the historic 61.

He also set a course record at Atkinson Country Club in New Hampshire this summer, firing a 63 on his way to winning that Cleveland Tour stop.

Oppenheim, who helped Rollins to an NCAA Division 2 team title as a senior, is working towards his ultimate goal of obtaining his PGA Tour card and going up against guys like Tiger Woods and Vijay Singh.

He was medalist at First Stage of Q School in Tennessee last year.

Oppenheim, also the current course recordholder at Mt. Pleasant GC in Lowell (65), spends winters in Orlando, Fla. and lives in Andover the rest of the year.

At Andover High, Oppenheim was an all-scholastic for coach Bob Lawson's golf teams and Ken Maglio's baseball squads and also

played basketball for coach Dave Fazio.

At Rollins, the economics major was a four-time All-American in golf and Division 2 Player of the Year in 2002 when he led Rollins to that NCAA Division 2 National Championship.

As an amateur, Oppenheim won the Massachusetts Amateur Championship in 2002 and finished in the final 16 (match play) at the U.S. Amateur at Pebble Beach, Calif. in 1999.

He began his professional golf career in September of 2002 and has played on the Canadian, Cleveland and Moonlight Tours.

Last year, Oppenheim finished 16th in the Order of Merit on the Canadian Tour and won the Captains Open on Cape Cod on the Cleveland Tour.

## Final session of GLTS diving clinic set for Aug. 15-19

Greater Lawrence Technical School is sponsoring springboard diving clinics for boys and girls, ages 8-18 years, who have not graduated from high school.

The clinics will be held at the school's pool at 57 River Road in Andover; the clinics started July 18. Each five-day session, limited to 12 enrollees, will run from 8 a.m. to noon. Cost is \$110.

The final session will run Aug. 15-19 for ages 13-18 years.

Diving coach, Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association (MIAA) State Meet director and Andover resident Dick Lennon is the clinic director.

For further information and registration call Lennon at 978-475-4336.

## Lowell Junior City Golf Tournament

# Gaffney, Coravoses excel on links

By Rick Harrison

For Andover High golfer James Gaffney, the second time around was just as sweet.

Shooting a five-over-par 39-38-77 at his home Long Meadow Golf Club in Lowell, the 16-year-old soon-to-be AHS junior recently won the Lowell Junior City Golf Tournament for the second straight year.

His 77 was the low score among all 45 golfers in the field, including 21 competing in the 16-18 year old age division.

The runner-up, just one stroke behind at 40-38-78, was Greg Schroer who lives in Lowell, plays No. 3 on the Lowell High team and is also a member at Long Meadow.

Last August, competing in the 15-under division, Gaffney carded an 83 at Vesper Country Club in Tyngsboro to tie for first and then beat Mike Mullavey Jr. of Dunstable on the second hole of a sudden-death playoff.

The one-day, 18-hole Junior City Tournament brings together top young players from four area courses - Long Meadow, Vesper, Mt. Pleasant GC in Lowell and Nabnasset Lake CC in Westford.

After struggling the previous weekend in the State Junior Championships at Red Tail GC in Ayer, Gaffney went into the Junior Cities not feeling all that confident about his game.

He had been experimenting with his swing, his stance and his putting grip - and apparently all the finagling paid off.

"I didn't feel good about my swing - so I changed my stance to get more power," said Gaffney. "I was hitting my tee shots about 40 yards farther - but I was also rushing my body through the swing and having trouble keeping the drives straight."

Enter Long Meadow club pro Gene Manley, whose rescue effort was not lost on Gaffney.

"Gene slowed my swing back down and convinced me the ball goes just as far if it's struck properly," said Gaffney. "And he also gave me a great putting lesson."

"If the kid didn't have talent for the game - nothing I said would make any difference," said Manley, downplaying his role.

"We changed James' grip to the same one Tiger (Woods) and a lot of the tour pros use now," said Manley, assuming the position and demonstrating by grasping an invisible club.

"James has a nice feel around the green. And his attitude is great. He loves the game and doesn't get discouraged when he has a bad day. We all have them - but it's important to be able to shake it off."

## Slow start

Although Gaffney felt good after a session at the Golf & Ski Warehouse Driving Range in Hudson, N.H. the evening before the Lowell tourney, his round didn't get off to a great start.

"My front 9 was really sloppy. I was four over after eight holes, and had birdie putts lip out at the seventh and eighth," said the two-time champ, who also caddies at Indian Ridge CC.

"Then I sank a 20-foot birdie putt on No. 9 to make the turn in 39. I heard there was a 37 and a 38 on the board - which made me a little nervous."

The back 9 unfolded into basically a two-player battle between Gaffney and Schroer.

"I four-putted the 10th for a double bogey (six) and then finished the round with eight straight pars," said Gaffney, who began golfing eight years ago and got serious about it at age 12.

"I hit all nine fairways and greens in regulation on the back side. I also missed a lot of putts I thought I could make."

"Every time I stepped up (to a putt) I felt I could sink it - but the ball just wasn't dropping. I must have had five birdie putts lip out on the back nine. Heck, I could have shot 65."

After the frustrating double bogey on the 10th hole, Gaffney trailed Schroer by one stroke. Both

then parred 11 and 12 before Schroer bogeyed 13 and 14 to fall behind by one.

Gaffney kept knocking off the pars to keep the lead, Schroer falling two shots back before notching a birdie on the 17th to creep back within one.

Both parred the 18th, with Gaffney needing the 4 for the win because Schroer played in an earlier foursome and was in the clubhouse before the champ.

Gaffney will be at Merrimack GC early morning on Aug. 25, as pre-season practices begin for coach Ken Kwajewski's Andover High golf team.

Last fall, as a sophomore, Gaffney needed the 4 for the win because Schroer played in an earlier foursome and was in the clubhouse before the champ.

"We should be good again," said Gaffney, although we graduated (three) good players and lost two others (Jaclyn Sweeney, Jon Derby) who transferred to private schools."

Gaffney also plays lacrosse in the spring.

## Coravos sisters sweep

Winning titles in the girls divisions of the Lowell Junior Cities were the Coravos sisters of Andover.

Both girls are members at Vesper Country Club, students at Phillips Academy and daughters of Andover dentist Evan Coravos.


Andrea, a 17-year-old PA senior and member of the Big Blue golf team, carded a 48-52-100 while 15-year-old sophomore Christina netted a 55 for nine holes to capture the 15-under division.

## Hurricanes set swim tryouts

The Merrimack Valley YMCA's Andover/North Andover branch invites children between the ages of 5 and 18 to tryout for the ANA Hurricanes swim team.

Tryouts will be held at the Andover YMCA Tuesday, Aug. 16 through Friday, Aug. 19. Interested candidates must be able to swim one length of the pool. Call the Andover YMCA front desk staff at 978-685-3541 to make an appointment. The ANA Hurricanes are a regionally recognized competitive swim program.

For more information, check the team's Web site at [www.anahurricanes.com](http://www.anahurricanes.com), or contact James Sweeney, director of competitive aquatics and head coach, at [jsweeney@mvymca.org](mailto:jsweeney@mvymca.org); or call 978-685-3541, Ext. 21.



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# Arts & Entertainment

## EVENTS CALENDAR

### Thursday, August 11

**Live music,** The Powow Trio perform, 7-10 p.m., no cover charge, Powow River Grille, 33 Main St., Amesbury; 978-388-2300.

**Seussical,** a humorous, clever musical that brings to life some favorite Dr. Seuss characters, will be presented by North Shore Music Theatre's Youth Performance Academy at a special temporary venue, after the children's theater group lost its home in the July fire at the Beverly theater; the 35 young performers, including Andover residents Corey Desjardins, Jackie Gladstein and Julie Helmers, will offer three performances, with all proceeds from the first performance (7 p.m. tonight) going toward restoring the theater; tickets are \$25 for adults (\$15 at later performances), \$10 for children, available at the music theatre box office or at the door, Mary Weld Pingree Center for the Performing Arts, 537 Highland St., South Hamilton; box office, 62 Dunham Road, Beverly; 978-232-7200.

### Friday, August 12

**Puppet show,** featuring the Pumpernickel Puppets, 3 p.m., free, Next Generation Children's Center of Andover, 516 South Main St.; 978-475-8010.

**Aida: School Edition,** which follows the classic tale of love, loss and betrayal through the music and lyrics of Elton John and Tim Rice, will be presented by North Shore Music Theatre's Youth Performance Academy at a special temporary venue; 28 young performers, including Andover residents Justin Colombo, Tina Leber, and Cara Lemire, will offer three performances, with all proceeds from the first performance (7 p.m. tonight) going toward restoring the theater; tickets are \$25 for adults (\$15 at later performances), \$10 for children, available at the music theatre box office or at the door, Mary Weld Pingree Center for the Performing Arts, 537 Highland St., South Hamilton; box office, 62 Dunham Road, Beverly 978-232-7200.

**Moscow State Circus,** featuring circus performers from Russia and around the world, including the Moldavian Troupe of acrobats, jugglers, contortionists, two of the daredevil Wallenda aerial family, and CoCo Kramer, a world-famous clown, performances at 5 and 8 p.m., \$20 adult, \$5.50 children 12 and younger, coupons (up to three free children's tickets with paid adult, and one free adult with paid adult ticket) at area fast food outlets and local merchants, Shriner's Auditorium, 99 Fordham Road, Wilmington; visit Web site [www.moscowcircusstars.com](http://www.moscowcircusstars.com).

### Saturday, August 13

**Artist reception,** five artists collaborating as "The Floating Studio," including Andover resident Gayle Caruso, have been working for three weeks in a 3,000 square-foot space donated by Andrea Management, each artist creating a temporary installation of a very large-scale, experimental project, free, noon-8 p.m., 250 Canal St., Lawrence; 978-387-2947.

**Summer art sale,** 15 artists from Artisans in the Open will offer arts and crafts, including jewelry, paintings, sculpture, pottery, stained glass, photography, painted furniture and more, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. in the garden of Linda Johnson's historic house, 8 Ferry Road, Salisbury; 978-499-7110.

**Baby Fest seminar,** sponsored by Babies 'R' Us, to celebrate World

Breastfeeding Week, informing mothers about the important topics of breastfeeding and the introduction of baby's first foods, several presentations between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m., store at 447 South Broadway, Salem, N.H.; Mary Ellen Hollins 603-893-2614.

**Aida: School Edition,** 2 p.m., see entry under Friday, Aug. 12.

**Seussical,** 7 p.m., see entry under Thursday, Aug. 11.

**Moscow State Circus,** 1, 4 and 7 p.m., see entry under Friday, Aug. 12.

### Sunday, August 14

**Women's self defense,** one-day course for women and girls 12 years and older, covering prevention psychology, survival awareness, and prevention tips such as positive attitude projection, verbal responses and body language, along with the practice of physical techniques using real-life scenarios, noon to 4 p.m., \$39, registration deadline August 11, ATA Black Belt Academy/Karate for Kids, 16 Haverhill St.; Francine Gikow 978-749-0880.

**Disc music,** BD Labs presents "The Sound of Tropical Paradise," with DJ Tena spinning reggae music that spans four decades, 2-5:30 p.m., no cover charge, Plum Island Grille, Sunset Blvd, Newbury; 978-463-2290.

**Renaissance sacred music,** ARS et AMICI, a chorus with consort of recorders, lute and organ, will perform a program of early psalm songs, some of which are still in use today, 4 p.m., suggested donation of \$15, \$10 seniors, students, and low-income attendees, St. John's Episcopal Church, 705 Hale St., Beverly Farms; 978-264-0584 or [www.arsetamici.org](http://www.arsetamici.org).

**Summer art sale,** noon-5 p.m., see entry under Saturday, Aug. 13.

**Seussical,** 2 p.m., see entry under Thursday, Aug. 11.

**Aida: School Edition,** 7 p.m. see entry under Friday, Aug. 12.

### Monday, August 15

**"Look Good, Feel Better,"** seminar sponsored by the Greater Lawrence unit of the American Cancer Society, teaches cancer patients hands-on cosmetic techniques to help them cope with the appearance-related side effects of chemotherapy and radiation treatment, participants receive a free makeup kit, noon-2 p.m., free but registration is required, Caritas Holy Family Hospital, 70 East St., Methuen; Gail Palermo 978-687-0156, Ext. 2021.

### Tuesday, August 16

**Tasty fundraiser,** over 30 area restaurants will offer some of the finest cuisine *al fresco* at the "Taste of the Merrimack Valley" event, featuring a fabulous array of food, cold drinks and desserts, live music, door prizes and free parking with shuttle service, 5-7 p.m., rain or shine, \$12, \$8 for seniors and children, at Blaire House, Erlin Terrace, Tewksbury, to raise money for the Elder Services of the Merrimack Valley Elder Care Fund, which provides emergency assistance and in-home services that help elders remain in their communities as long as possible; tickets 1-800-892-0890, Ext. 347, or Blaire House 978-851-3121. Advance ticket purchase is recommended.

**Live music,** award-winning keyboardist, composer and producer Eric Goldberg and his jazz/pop Trio perform, 6-9 p.m., no cover

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## What's in your beach bag?

Andoverites beat the heat by turning the pages of a good book

By Judy Wakefield

**B**EST-SELLING LOCAL AUTHOR Mary McGarry Morris always looks forward to the so-called dog days of summer. Like many folks, she takes it easy in August and catches up on reading for pleasure.

"Books are like an old friend," said the popular author whose most recent book, *The Lost Mother*, came out earlier this year while her *Songs in Ordinary Time*, was the summer read for Oprah's Book Club in 1997. "Reading is a way to revisit or to make a new friend."

The slower days of August also signal a time to catch up on pleasure reading for State Sen. Sue Tucker of Andover.

"August is when I read," Tucker said with a smile. "I pick books that take me away and I really enjoy it."

Like Morris and Tucker, lots of Andover residents are making time for reading this summer and packing a good book when they hit the beach. Here's a sampling of what books are being packed in beach bags:

"I read *Kite Runner* and it was great. It's historical fiction about an Afghanistan uprising and it (gets a) thumbs up. I forget the author [Khaled Hosseini], but the character development was fabulous."

— Liz Buswick of Beverly, who visited Poms Pond with sister-in-law Kate McCampbell and niece Kiernan McCampbell, 3, of Andover

"I am reading *Rum Diary* by Hunter Thompson. It's in the middle — no, it's pretty good. It's about a reporter who goes to San Juan, Puerto Rico and writes about his stay there. There's not much of a plot, but it's OK."

— Russell Stevens, 20, of Andover, gatehouse sitter at Poms Pond and soon-to-be junior at Bowdoin College

"I have read two books this summer. The first is *All the Names* by Jose Saramago, a Portuguese writer and winner of the Nobel Prize for Literature. It's Kafkaesque, so depending on if you like Kafka, that could be good or bad. For me this is good, as well as intriguing, sometimes dark, but also humorous (especially given the jabs at bureaucracy). The second is *Good to Great* by Jim Collins, a bestseller on why some companies become great while others remain ordinary or even fail. Despite the 'best-selling' hype, I found it to be a serious, longitudinal study of



Superintendent Claudia Bach

business today."

— Claudia Bach, Andover schools superintendent

"I always read in August and I like to read books that take me away. I enjoy learning about other countries. I read books recommended by the Andover Bookstore. I read *Kite Runner* and it was a beautifully written book about Afghanistan from outside the consulate. *The Number One Ladies Detective*



State Senator Sue Tucker

Agency by Alexander Smith was great, too. And, now I am about to start *Mountains*

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Russell Stevens of Andover keeps one eye on the gates at Poms Pond and another in the pages of "Gonzo Journalism," as reported by the late Hunter Thompson from the Caribbean.

## Preferences of the younger set

By Alessandra Siraco  
What's Up contributor

**B**OOKS ABOUT MYSTERIES, ANIMALS, TRAINS AND MORE fill the shelves of the children's room at Memorial Hall Library. And many are flying off the shelves quicker than usual.

"I like monster books," says 3-year-old Jackson Price, on what he likes to read.

"We're very into monsters lately," says mom Kelly Price as Jackson's hands wander over puzzle pieces in the Memorial Hall Library. Among this blue-eyed tot's favorite books are *Tales of Animals* by Heather Amery, along with any book dealing with bears, tigers or dinosaurs.

Two-and-a-half-year-old Anthony Previte leans toward more classic children's books, such as *Thomas the Tank Engine* by Wildbert Awdry, anything by Dr. Seuss, and the *Berenstain Bears* series by Stan and Jan Berenstain. "Anything with trucks or trains" is also among his favorites, says his mother, Julie.

These toddlers escaped the August heat by traveling to the library, checking out the puzzles, reading their favorite animal books, and enjoying the air-conditioning. "We've seen a huge increase this summer in readers," says Beth Kerrigan, coordinator of the Children's Room. She believes it is because of the sweltering summer weather. Among the books that are flying off

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**Yodel-ay-he-hoo!** Maria, played by Shar Van Boskirk, and the von Trapp children practice their yodeling for the Valley Players production of *The Sound of Music* at the Amesbury Playhouse Dinner Theatre, Aug. 12 through Sept. 3. Call 978-388-9444 for more information and reservations.



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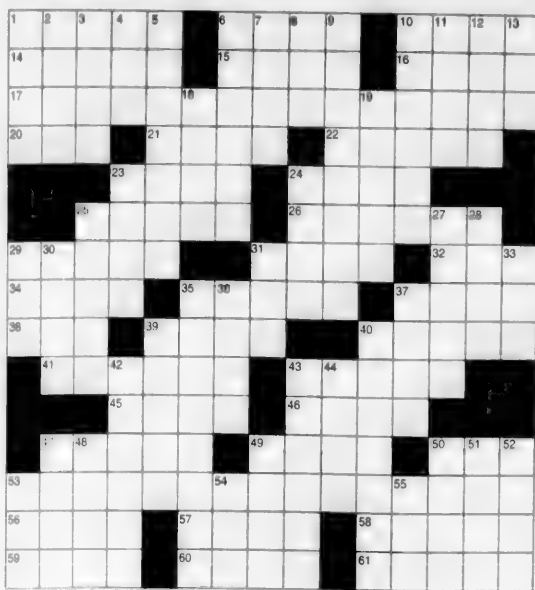
Liz Buswick of Beverly spent an afternoon at Poms Pond with her sister-in-law, Kate McCampbell (not pictured), and niece, Kiernan McCampbell, 3, both of Andover. Buswick stopped to share her summer reading favorites.



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## CLUES ACROSS

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6. Pulpit
10. Linden, for one
14. Bored
15. Beige
16. "El" actor
17. What the shapely chick did
20. Conger
21. Brad Pitt movie
22. Supplications
23. Dart
24. Actress Penelope
25. Hallow
26. Direct
29. Sensational
31. Chore
32. Jump
34. Spinning toy
35. Steak
37. Fuel
38. Chatter
39. Buy
40. Alpaca
41. Followed
43. Whiz
45. Not any
46. Rocket builders
47. Goal of 46 across
49. Mexican money
50. Actor \_\_\_\_\_ Cruise
53. Dark dessert
56. Throw out
57. Smell
58. Person



59. Singer, Tori \_\_\_\_\_
60. MLB team
61. Heeds

## CLUES DOWN

1. Mrs. Cugat
2. Veer
3. Howl

4. Language, abbr.
5. Imitated
6. Terminals
7. Sore
8. Anger
9. Stun
10. Pluck
11. Costa \_\_\_\_\_

12. Moose
13. PGA golfer
18. "Battle Cry" author
19. Set down
23. Gymnast's feat
24. Tribe
25. Ruined
27. Leading
28. Soil
29. Repose
30. Strawberry River state
31. Cap
33. School group
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36. Social group
37. Entreaty
39. Loose
40. African nation
42. Establishes
43. Ridicules
44. Enact
47. Ghetto
48. El \_\_\_\_\_, Texas city
49. Poke
50. Docile
51. Yes
52. Restaurant sign
53. Scarf
54. Poem
55. Novice

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charge, Powow River Grille, 33 Main St., Amesbury; 978-388-2300.

**Embroiderers Guild of America,** Merrimack Valley Chapter, informal "stitch-in," all ages with an interest in needlework are welcome, 7 p.m., free, Tewksbury Congregational Church, 10 East St., Tewksbury; Rosemary Carter 978-893-0959, or mvcmember-ship@neonflamingo.com.

## Wednesday, August 17

**Concert in the Park,** the free summer series concludes with Mill City Jazz, 6-8 p.m., free, at the Park, corner of Bartlet and Chestnut streets, bring blankets or chairs and picnic suppers; in the event of rain on Wednesday, the concert will be held the next day, Thursday, call the DCS weather line after 3 p.m. for weather updates 978-623-8279; Mary Donohue 978-623-8273.

**Poetry reading,** featured poets Robert Crawford and Patricia Callan, followed by open mic, 7:30 p.m., free, Newburyport Art Association Gallery, 65 Water St., Newburyport; visit Web site www.newburyportart.org.

**Slide show,** narrated by Nancy Strisak, Charlie Movalli and Ted Tyser, the show promises to be a

"stroll down memory lane," 7 p.m., free to members, \$4 non-members, North Shore Arts Association Gallery, 11 Pirates Lane, Gloucester; 978-283-1857.

## Thursday, August 18

**Live music,** The Powow Trio perform, 7-10 p.m., no cover charge, Powow River Grille, 33 Main St., Amesbury; 978-388-2300.

## Friday, August 19

No events listed.

## Saturday, August 20

**Gloucester Waterfront Festival,** North Shore's largest waterfront festival celebrates its 25th year, featuring arts and crafts of all types by over 200 artisans and craftspeople, food, including pancake breakfast Saturday 7:30-11 a.m., and New England lobster bake Sunday from noon to 5 p.m., and a display of antique cars and fire trucks on Sunday; festival 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., free admission, Stage Fort Park, Gloucester; Cape Ann Chamber has information 978-283-1601.

## Sunday, August 21

**Rock Run for animals,** sponsored by the MSPCA, the twelfth annual motorcycle ride to raise funds for the shelter at Nevins Farm in Methuen, starts from Aegean Drive in Methuen (off Pelham Street, exit 47 from Route 93) and goes to the Topsfield Fairgrounds, where there will be prizes for top pledge earners, vendors, food, and live music by World's Greatest Sinners; staging for the ride at 9 a.m., departure at 10 a.m. sharp; official shirts for the ride are available from sponsor Kelly's House of Harley Davidson/Buell and the MSPCA in Methuen; last year, Rock Run 2004 had more than 500 riders and raised \$21,000 for the MSPCA at Nevins Farm; Jill 978-689-9483, Ext. 6105 or visit Web site www.mspca.org.

**Gloucester Waterfront Festival,** 10 a.m.-7 p.m., see entry under Saturday, Aug. 20.

## Ongoing

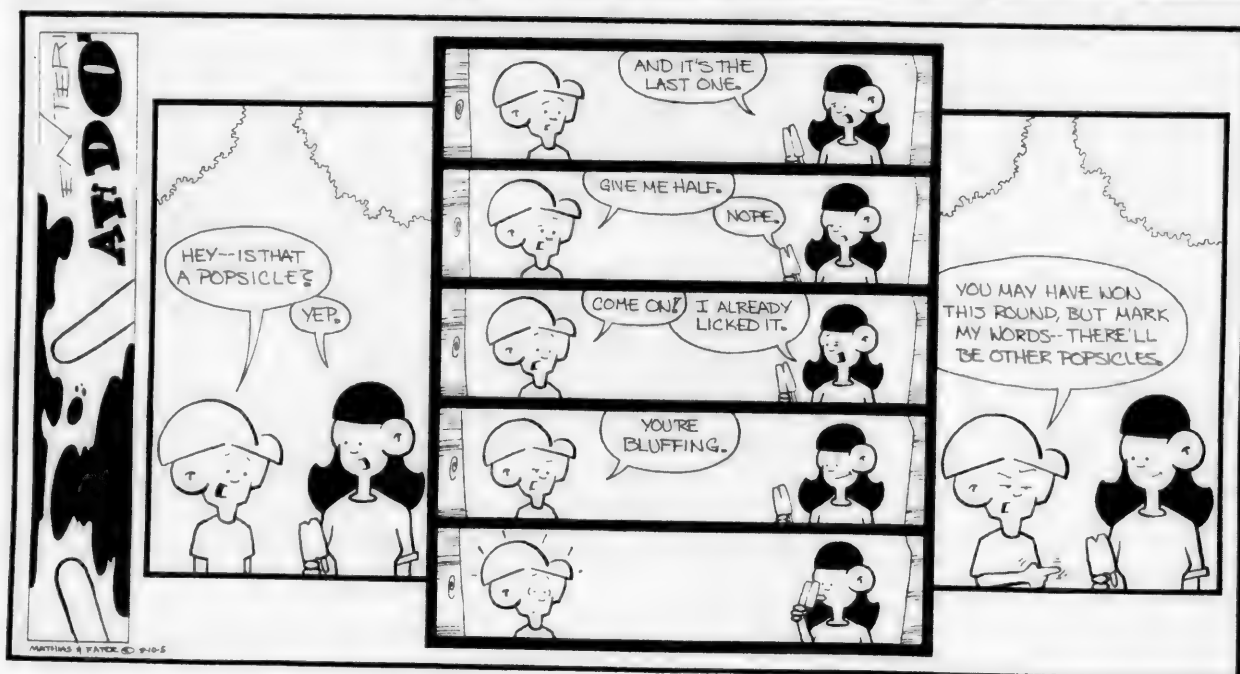
## Summer Activities

**Summer concert series,** the free summer series, Wednesday, Aug. 17 (final show) - Mill City Jazz, 6-8 p.m., free, at the Park, corner of Bartlet and Chestnut streets, bring blankets or chairs and picnic suppers; in the event of rain on Wednesday, the concert will be held the next day, Thursday, call the DCS weather line after 3 p.m. for weather updates 978-623-8279;

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## Art Exhibitions

**Addison Gallery of American Art**, closed during August, regular gallery hours beginning in September are Tuesday-Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday 1-5 p.m., free admission. Addison Gallery of American Art, Phillips Academy; 978-749-4015, www.addisongallery.org.

**Alpers Fine Art of Andover**, through Aug. 21, "Warm Winds, Cool Waters," an exhibition of oil paintings, pastels and watercolors by seven artists and several familiar Alpers exhibitors, gallery hours Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m.-8 p.m., Sunday 10 a.m.-4 p.m., 2 Main St.; 978-470-0013 or www.alpersfineart.com.

**Robert S. Peabody Museum of Archaeology**, *Objects and their Meanings: Historical Highlights of the Peabody*, displays ethnographic objects from museum's collections of North and South America and a series of photographs that illustrate the activities of the museum's key people during the last century; Tuesday through Saturday, noon-5 p.m., by appointment only, free admission, Phillips Academy campus, 175 Main St.; 978-749-4490.

**Arthur Griffin Museum of Photography**, Tuesday-Sunday, noon-4 p.m., \$5 admission, \$2 seniors, members and children under 12 free, Thursday admission is free all day, 67 Shore Road, Winchester, 781-729-1158, www.griffinmuseum.org.

**Brush Art Gallery**, the Annual Resident Artists' Exhibition, including the work of two Andover residents, Carol Boileau and Betsy Wish, free and open to the public, exhibit on display through Sept. 11, regular hours are Tuesday through Saturday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Sunday, noon to 4 p.m., Brush Art Gallery and Studio, 256 Market St., Lowell; 978-459-7819 or visit the Website www.thebrush.org.

**COOL Gallery**, exhibit hours Tues. and Thurs. 1-5 p.m., COOL Gallery, 338 Market St., Lowell, Cultural Organization of Lowell 978-446-7162

**Gallery 181**, Cotton Weaving House, 181 Canal St., Lawrence; through Aug. 30: *Cool Pop*, featuring works by Judy Johnson (watercolors), Judith Lamar (oils) and Valerie Borgal (watercolors), opening reception Thursday, Aug. 11, 5-8 p.m., free and open to the public, Jim 978-688-4544.

**Robert Lehman Art Center at Brooks School**, gallery hours Tuesday-Friday 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday, 8:30 a.m.-noon, Sunday, 2:30-5 p.m., 1160 Great Pond Road, North Andover; 978-725-6232.

**Whistler House Museum of Art**, Wednesday-Saturday, 11 a.m.-4 p.m., 54, 243 Worthen St., Lowell; 978-452-7641.

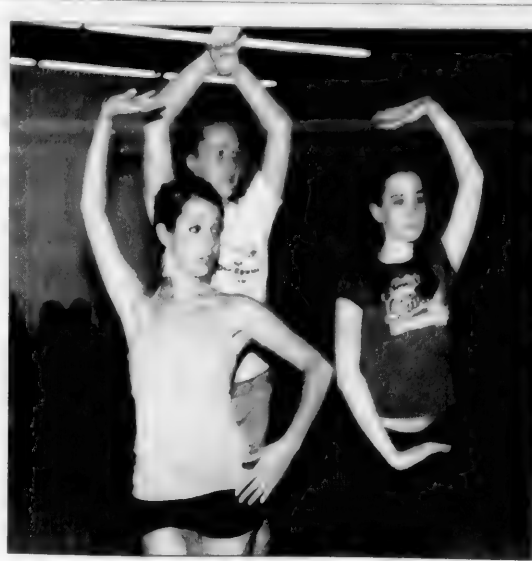
**Essex Art Center**, through Aug. 19:

in the Main Gallery, "Faith in Art" featuring Latino artists Claudia Arcia, Federico Bachman, Raquel Bauman, Jairo Cruz, Pan Goncalves, Norma Lopez, Cecilia Mendez, Leida Montanez, Gabriela Perez-Frator; in the Elizabeth A. Beland Gallery, "Time Spells" by sculptor and installation artist Patricia Tinajero-Baker; gallery hours Monday, 3-7 p.m., Tuesday through Thursday, 10 a.m.-7:30 p.m., Friday, 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m., galleries are free and open to the public; Essex Art Center, 56 Island St., Lawrence; Cathy McLaurin 978-685-2343 or www.essexartcenter.com

**Memorial Hall Library**, featuring during August a traveling exhibit of handmade artist books created by ten area artists as a collaborative project; participating artists include Laura Gawlinski of Andover, whose book theme was "A Love Letter to Mother Nature"; library hours: Monday-Saturday, 9 a.m.-9 p.m., Sunday, noon-5 p.m.; 978-623-8401, www.mhl.org

**Memorial Hall Library**, artist of the month for August is Joe Schatz, a serious amateur photographer for over 40 years, whose exhibit, titled "American Landscapes," runs through the end of September, featuring photographs of New England, the Yellowstone, Southwest Arches and Canyonland National Parks, and Monument Valley; library hours: Monday-Saturday, 9 a.m.-9 p.m., Sunday, noon-5 p.m.; Norma Gammon 978-623-8401, www.mhl.org

**McQuade Gallery**, located in the McQuade Library at Merrimack College, gallery hours same as



(Clockwise from right) Justine Long, Tina Leber of Andover, and Melissa Jessel rehearse for the premiere of Disney's *Aida: School Edition*.

library hours: Monday through Thursday, 7:30 a.m.-midnight, Friday, 7:30 a.m.-6 p.m., Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday, 11 a.m.-midnight, call to confirm hours, free admission; 978-837-5000.

**Sakowich Campus Center**, at Merrimack College, the Fireside and first floor lounges, call for hours, 978-837-5000, Ext. 4205.

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**Lorica Artworks**, gallery specializing in international fine art from Ireland and America, featuring the largest collection of original fine art from Ireland in the Boston area, presents a collection of paintings by Irish artists celebrating the richness of Ireland and their intrinsic beauty.

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**Walsingham Gallery**, works by artists J.C. Airola, Robert Douglas Hunter, Jean Lightman, Elizabeth M. Leary, John Daniel Phillips, Frank Strazzulla Jr., and others; gallery hours Monday, Wednesday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Sunday, noon-5 p.m., closed Tuesdays, 47 Merrimac St., Newburyport; 978-499-4411 www.thewalsingham-gallery.com.

**Montserrat College of Art Gallery**, Monday-Thursday, 11 a.m.-5 p.m., Friday, 11 a.m.-noon, and by appointment, Carol Schlosberg Alumni Gallery, 23 Essex St., Beverly; 978-921-4242, Ext. 1319.

**Evos Arts Gallery**, free, 98 Middle St., Lowell; 978-441-9906, www.evosarts.com.

**Flint Memorial Library**, 147 Park St., North Reading; 978-664-4942, www.flintmemoriallibrary.org.

**Churchill Gallery**, an exhibition of landscapes by award-winning

artists Robert Scott Jackson and Dennis Sheehan, gallery hours are Monday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. and Sunday noon-5 p.m., 6 Inn St., Newburyport; 978-462-9891.

**The State of the Art Gallery and Sculpture Garden**, Rocky Neck Art Colony, Gloucester; 978-463-8883.

**Cape Ann Historical Museum**, Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., 27 Pleasant St., Gloucester; 978-283-0455.

**The Saltbox Gallery**, gallery hours, Tuesday through Friday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m.-1:30 p.m., 49 Main St., Topfield; 978-887-3844.

**Nevins Memorial Hall**, 305 Broadway, Methuen; 978-686-4080.

**J. David Broudo Gallery of Art**, Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Endicott College, 376 Hale St. (Route 127) Beverly; 978-232-2250.

**Revolving Museum**, "Signs of Life" is a cave environment, the product of some 76 student artists from the Lowell public schools, created over a period of 6 months and inspired by the cave paintings of Lascaux and Altamira but conveying the symbols and messages of modern day kids, on display through Aug. 21; "Family Life," a display explor-

ing the theme of family life, also open through Aug. 21; audiences will be taken on a journey through a variety of innovative artworks that explore issues like pollution control and spirituality through nature, artist-driven museum, dedicated to presenting public art, exhibitions, educational programs, gallery hours: Tuesday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Sunday, noon-4 p.m., 22 Shattuck St., Lowell; 978-937-2787.

**Newburyport Art Association**, Sargent Gallery and the Hartson Gallery (upstairs), Laura Coombs Gallery, hours are 11 a.m.-5 p.m., 66 Water St., Newburyport; 978-465-8769.

**Laura Coombs Hills Gallery**, gallery hours: Monday-Saturday, 11 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday, noon-5 p.m., 65 Water St., Newburyport; 978-670-9102, www.newburyport-art.org.

**Mingo Gallery**, Tuesday-Friday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., 252 Cabot St., Beverly; 978-927-5964.

**Gelb Gallery at Phillips Academy**, Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday, Sunday, noon-4 p.m.; 978-475-4419.

**Bravos Arts Gallery**, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., One

East Main St., Georgetown; 978-352-8102.

**Ayer Lofts Art Gallery**, a cooperative artist space in Lowell, Thursdays, 6-9 p.m., Friday, Saturday, Sunday, noon-4 p.m., 172 Middle St., Lowell; Mandy Shear 617-335-0230 or ayerlofts.com/exhibits.

**River Gallery**, Thursday through Sunday, 11 a.m.-5 p.m., 4 Market St., Ipswich; 978-356-1559.

**Ocmulgee Pottery & Fine Crafts**, gallery hours Tuesday through Friday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturdays 10 a.m.-4 p.m., 26 Market St., Ipswich; 978-356-1298.

**North Shore Arts Association of Gloucester**, featuring sculptures, paintings, 11 Pirate's Lane, Gloucester, regular hours Monday through Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday noon to 5 p.m., including holidays; 978-283-1857.

**Erlach Gallery**, featuring "Reflections," paintings of Jan Peng Wang, who creates paintings that are both classical and contemporary, using the figure, still-life, flowers or anything else that captures his imagination, through Aug. 23, gallery hours Tuesday through Saturdays, 10:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.; Sunday, noon-5 p.m., 96 Washington St., Marblehead; 781-631-1202.

go up to \$44, depending on meal choices, Amesbury Playhouse, 194 Main St., Amesbury; 978-388-9444 or www.amesburyplayhouse.org.

**Stoneham Theatre**, 395 Main St., Stoneham; box office 781-279-2200 or www.StonehamTheatre.org.

## Museums and Historic Homes

**Andover Historical Society**, tour the Amos Blanchard House and Barn Museum for a glimpse into life in the early 19th century; exhibit in the Meeting Room: *Founding Farms*, a traveling exhibit sponsored by the Massachusetts Foundation for the Humanities, with photographs by Stan Sherer and text by Michael E. C. Gery. *Founding Farms* documents the long lives of five of the oldest farms in Massachusetts, including North Andover's Barker Farm; open Tuesdays through Saturdays, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., \$5 admission, students \$3, 97 Main St.; 978-475-2236, www.andhist.org.

**Boott Cotton Mills Museum**, Monday-Friday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., 400 Foot of John St., Lowell.

**New England Quilt Museum**, Tuesday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Sunday, noon-4 p.m., 18 Shattuck St., Lowell; 978-452-4207.

**Lawrence Heritage State Park**, daily, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., admission free, 1 Jackson St., Lawrence; 978-794-1655.

**Wenham Museum**, \$5 adults, \$3 children ages 2 and up, 132 Main St., Wenham; 978-468-2377.

**Museum of Printing**, 800 Massachusetts Ave., North Andover, featuring world's largest collection of antique printing, typesetting and bindery machines, as well as the world's largest library of printing-related books and documents; in addition, the museum has the extensive printing collection of the Smithsonian in Washington, D.C. The two 90-foot galleries, library and four floors of archival stacks are all available to the public, \$5 admission, Wednesday through Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; 978-686-0450 or www.museumofprinting.org.

**North Andover Historical Society**, 153 Academy Road, North Andover, maintains two sites that feature museum galleries: 1789 Johnson Cottage, an artisan's home and workshop, and 1715 Parson Barnard House, depicting life from 1715-1830, 179 Osgood St., changing exhibits highlight local life from the 17th to the 20th century, library and archive, \$3 adults, \$1 children, \$2 seniors, Johnson Cottage, tours Tuesday-Friday 10 a.m.-noon and 2-4 p.m., \$5 adults for a combined tour of both properties;

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**The Revolving Museum**, hours are Thursday through Sunday, noon-4 p.m., 22 Shattuck St., Lowell; 978-937-2787 www.revolvingmuseum.org.

**Custom House Maritime Museum**, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Thursday and Sunday, 1-4 p.m., 25 Water St., Newburyport; its Lowell Boat Shop, 459 Main St., Amesbury, Wednesday-Sunday; 978-388-0162.

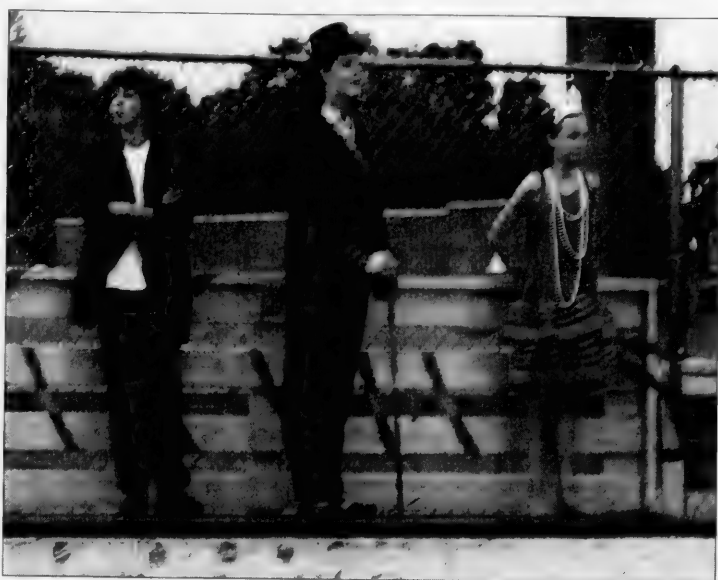
**American Textile History Museum**, special exhibits through Sept. 4 include "Batik from Courts and Palaces: the Rudolf Smend Collection" and "Batik Fashion/ American Style," featuring special attractions for children, including a walk-in exhibit of a traditional Sumatran home with a water-buffalo-hide roof, dress-up sarong wraps, a fishing game, and hands-on learning with spices, musical instruments and more; "Family Fun," Sundays, 2 p.m. feature hands-on programs, stories, quilt projects and more; alongside the permanent exhibit of textiles, tools, machines, photographs, advertising ephemera, and other artifacts that show how people have used art and science during the past 250 years to create beautiful and useful textiles; more than 500 artifacts from the museum's collections are used in imaginative period settings and gallery displays; ATHM, 491 Dutton St., Lowell; museum hours are Tuesday through Friday, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.; weekends, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., closed Mondays and holidays; admission \$6 for adults; \$4 for students, seniors, and groups; free for children under 6 and museum members, parking is free, and the building is wheelchair accessible; 978-441-0400 or www.athm.org.

**Peabody Essex Museum, In Nature's Company**, featuring works by more than 20 Massachusetts artists who rely on nature for their creative source, through Sept. 18; opening Aug. 6, *All of My Life: Contemporary Works by Native American Artists*, displaying works by nine contemporary artists who call upon and reinterpret traditions that are thousands of years old; opening Aug. 23, *Exposing the Source: the Paintings of Nalini Malani*, presenting two decades of work by the Pakistani artist who was the first Indian artist to have a solo exhibition in the US; Monday-Sunday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., \$13 adults, \$11 seniors, \$9 students; free for children under 16; East India Square, Salem, Mass.; 978-755-1876 or 866-745-1876, www.pem.org.

**Dracula's Castle**, unusual lore of New England focusing on strange

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## RAMPING UP SHAKESPEARE



Andover Youth Services production of Shakespeare's *A Midsummer Night's Dream* was staged in the Community Skatpark on Monday night, directed by Carol Chanler and Thea Shapiro. Although most of the participating actors were high school students, the cast included actors of all ages, from preschoolers to adults, including Bill Fahey, AYS director. Pictured here, from left, are Nicolas Villarreal Serna, Natalie Gaimari and Katja Grober.

PHOTO BY FRANK SERNA

## Theater

**North Shore Music Theatre**, the premier venue for musical theater on the North Shore, closed by fire on July 25, will mount its production of *Abyssinia* at the Shubert Theatre in Boston; the play is the story of a young African-American woman's journey back to faith, featuring moving gospel, jazz and ragtime rhythms, begins its run August 23 and continues through September 11, tickets \$30-\$63; also visit Web site for related free events, including "Meet the Theatre" events that offer the opportunity to meet the players, North Shore Music Theatre, 62 Dunham Road, Beverly; 978-232-7200 or www.nsmto.org for times, special events and tickets.

**Le Grand David Spectacular Magic Company**, Sundays 3 p.m., \$18, \$12 children 11 and under, Cabot St. Cinema Theater, 286 Cabot St., Beverly; 978-927-3677.

**Amesbury Playhouse Dinner Theater**, *Butterflies Are Free*, performances through Aug. 7, *The Sound of Music*, performances Aug. 11 through Sept. 3, Thursdays at 7 p.m. (buffet at 5 p.m.), Fridays and Saturdays at 8:30 p.m. (dinner, 7 p.m.) and Sundays at 1 (dinner, noon) and at 6:30 p.m. (dinner, 5 p.m.), reservations required for all performances, \$17 show only (special Thursday price \$12 show only), dinner-show combo start at \$26 and

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## ONGOING

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ghostly and unexplained events, \$6, \$4 ages 8-14, Saturdays, 7:30 p.m., 90 Lafayette St., Salem; Dan Tremblay 978-777-2711.

**House of Seven Gables**, open daily 10 a.m.-5 p.m., \$10 (2 for 1 admission for Essex County residents with proof of residency), 54 Turner St., Salem; 978-744-0991, www.7gables.org.

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**House**, tours Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., free, 34 Chestnut St., Salem, Mass.; 978-744-0440.

## Meetings/Activities

**Public skating**, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday, 10:30-11:50 a.m., additional Friday 7:30-8:50 p.m., Sundays 1:30-2:50 p.m., \$3 admission, rental skates available, Chelmsford Forum, Brick Kiln Road, North Billerica; 978-670-3700 or fmcarenas.com.

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**Adult English classes**, sponsored by the Asian Center of the Merrimack Valley Inc., 3-month program of classes on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday mornings, 9-11 a.m., preschool available for children ages 3 to 5 with parents enrolled in classes; 978-683-7316.

**New England Classical Singers**, under artistic director David Hodgkins, rehearsals are held at South School in Andover; 978-474-

6090 or www.newenglandclassical.org.

**American Legion Andover Post 8**, second Wednesday of the month, September to June, 7 p.m., Andover Senior Center, 36 Bartlet St.; Ted Witman 978-683-9988.

**Amnesty International, Merrimack Valley Chapter**, meets second Monday of the month, McQuade Library, Merrimack College, 7:30 p.m.; Leslie 978-475-6960.

**Andover Great Books Group**, meets second and fourth Tuesdays, discusses book of the week, activity room, Memorial Hall Library, 7:30-9 p.m.; Jean McGreehan 603-667-9610.

**Andover Tennis Club**, for men, women and children, recreational singles, doubles and mixed doubles play at the intermediate level, \$65 family membership, \$40 single membership, Phillips Academy, www.andovertennis.org.

**Bel Canto Singers**, rehearsals Thursday evening, 7:30-9 p.m., St. John the Evangelist Church, 115 Middlesex St., North Chelmsford; 978-256-0783.

**Business Network International (BNI)**, Wednesdays, 7:30-8:30 a.m., Denny's, Route 114, Lawrence, Edna 978-640-8919, or Steve 978-975-1328.

**Business Network International, Haverhill Chapter**, Fridays 7-8:30 a.m., Best Western Hotel, 401 Lowell Ave., Haverhill, 603-475-3503, www.bni-haverhill.org.

**Choral Arts Society**, for information and to audition call: Rick Seaman 603-382-5070, or Shelia Kanan 978-373-4990.

**Country line dancing**, Stompers Country Line Dance Production will have line dancing every Wednesday and Sunday, 7-11 p.m., GuestHouse Inn & Suites, Exit 47, I-93, Methuen.

**Community men's chorus**, the Men's Chorus of New England, formed by Treble Chorus of New England at Merrimack College with Richard Barney conducting, 5:30-7 p.m., Tuesdays, West Parish Church, Andover; Anne O'Neill 978-837-5461.

**Danvers Art Association**, Weekly programs, Mondays: Massachusetts Title V Septic, public information seminars, 7:30 p.m.; Tuesdays: Open Mike, acoustic music night, 7:30 p.m.; Thursdays: Ghost Stories Movies, 7:30 p.m.; Fridays: Sci-Fi movie night, 7:30 p.m.; all programs \$5 per person, telephone reservation required; Dan Tremblay

978-777-2711; Note: no handicapped-accessibility.

**Drum and Dance Circle**, rhythm instruction and improvisation drumming, meets fourth Friday of the month, Unitarian Universalist Congregation in Andover, 6 Locke St., 978-470-1134.

**Embroiderers Guild of America**, Merrimack Valley Chapter, dedicated to teaching and preserving needlework as an art form, third Tuesday of the month, September through May, 7 p.m., Tewksbury Congregational Church, Main and East streets, Tewksbury; Rosemary Carter 978-893-0959, mvc-membership@neonflamingo.com.

**Exsultet**, a chamber choir, rehearsals Mondays, 7:30-10 p.m., Holy Trinity United Methodist Church, 16 Sylvan St., Danvers, Richard Larrage 781-329-1741.

**Folk dance**, Skirts and Flirts Square Dance Club, weekly Thursday classes, 7:30-9:30 p.m., Shawshen Elementary School, Shawshen and Hopkins streets (Route 12), Wilmington; 978-658-4022 or 978-658-3480.

**Grandparents as Parents Resource Network of Greater Lowell**, second Tuesday of the month, 7-8:30 p.m., Memorial Hospital, Lowell, Rachelle Comtois 978-459-3242.

**Learn to line dance**, the Knights of Columbus hosts a learn to line dance class every Monday evening, beginners welcome, doors open 6:30 p.m., instruction will start 7 p.m., Knights of Columbus, 2068 Main St., Tewksbury; 1-800-233-4ADJ.

**Lowell Opera Company**, new members welcome, auditions not required. Rehearsals are held Monday nights at 7:30 p.m. at Christ Church United, 6 Bartlet St., Lowell; 978-441-6926, www.operalowell.org.

**Memorial Hall Library**, Merrimack Valley Quilters, Artist of the Month, book discussion every fourth Wednesday of the month, 7:30 p.m., Elm Square; www.mhl.org.

**Men's woodcarving group** meets on Mondays at 9 a.m. on a drop-in basis at Andover Senior Center, 36 Bartlet St.; 978-623-8321.

**Merrimack Valley Camera Club**, Wednesdays, 7:15 p.m., Trinitarian Congregational Church, 72 Elm St., North Andover; 978-686-0900 or www.merrimackvalleychamber.com.

**Merrimack Valley People for Peace**, fourth Tuesday of each

month, 7:30 p.m., North Parish Unitarian Church, Old North Andover Center; 978-661-9009, www.merrimackvalleypeopleforpeace.org.

**Merrimack Valley Music Teachers Association**, non-profit group meets the first Monday of the month, October-May; membership is open to new or established private music instructors; activities include lectures, recitals, masterclasses, and teacher exchanges, Jody Brickman 978-470-3509.

**Merrimack Valley Hospice**, meets weekly; beginning Sept. 20, a six week spousal support group, "Beginning the Grief Journey," 6-7:30 p.m., St. Michael's Parish Hall, 196 Main St., North Andover; Judy 978-552-4376.

**Merrimack Toastmasters Club**, second and fourth Thursday of month, guests welcome, 7 p.m. Stevens Memorial Library, 345 Main St., North Andover; Bill Cashman 978-475-0721.

**Merrimack Valley Chorus**, a women's cappella group, rehearsals Thursdays 7:30 p.m., a special cappella workshop this summer for all women interested in singing, Wilmington Arts Council Building, Route 62, Wilmington, 978-851-7764 or www.merrimackvalleychorus.com.

**Methuen Community Band** rehearses every other Thursday 7-9 p.m., all instruments and levels of skills welcome, band room, Methuen High School, 1 Ranger Road, Methuen, Lori 978-794-1973.

**Middlesex Singers**, mixed chamber music chorus, rehearsals Mondays, 7:30 p.m., First Parish Unitarian Universalist Church, 2 Westford St., Chelmsford; Pat Moore 978-256-7143.

**Mother Connection**, a non-profit organization serving mothers and children, offers a newsletter, a play-space for children under 5, Mondays and Thursdays, 9:30-11:30 a.m., new moms' coffee, playgroup link-ups, children's parties and adventures, workshops, support groups and more, \$25 for one year, Elizabeth 978-475-5953, or Jen 978-470-0897, or www.themotherconnection.org.

**Mother Circle**, a non-profit group that meets the needs of stay-at-home moms, discuss and hear a range of topics from sibling rivalry to maintaining one's sanity, childcare provided, New England Bible Church; www.nebible.org.

## What's in your beach bag?

## SUMMER READING FAVORITES

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**Beyond Mountains** by Tracey Kidder. It's about a doctor who went to Haiti and fell in love with the country. I only get to read in August because it will be budget reports and reports on health care (when the legislature resumes next month)."

— **State Sen. Sue Tucker, D-Andover**

"I am reading *A Salty Sea of Land* by Jimmy Buffet, and he is one of the few to have fiction and non-fiction books on the New York Times bestseller list at the same time. The others are by Dr. Seuss and Steinbach, and I forget the other one. And, I just finished a Civil War book. I like all books about the Civil War."

— **Safety Officer Bob Cronin, Andover Police Department**

"I'm reading *The World is Flat* by Thomas L. Friedman. It's about the economy being more globalized than ever before and he gets specific and writes so everyone can understand it. It's good. Basically, he says that anything can be done anywhere with today's technology and that's why the world is flat."

— **Cheryl Sprague, 34, of North Reading and formerly of Andover, relaxing in the Park with her book. She's a soon-to-be senior at Merrimack College, majoring in accounting.**

"I'm reading three books by Muriel Spark - *The Prime of Miss Jean Brodie*, *The Girls of Slender Means* and *Memento Mori*. I read *Jean Brodie* years ago. I do that - read a book and then read it again later on - with different eyes. All of her books are very good."

— **Local author Mary McGarry Morris** whose personal book bag includes *Vanished*, 1988, nominated for the National Book Award and the PEN/Faulkner Award; *A Dangerous Woman*, 1991, made into a movie starring Debra Winger; *Songs in Ordinary Time*, 1995; *Fiona Range*, 2000; *A Hole in the Universe*, 2004; and *The Lost Mother*, 2005.



Mary McGarry Morris

## Young readers

## KIDS' FAVORITES

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the shelves are all of the Harry Potter books by J.K. Rowling, along with many other fantasy books as a result of the Potter craze, believes Kerrigan. *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe* by C.S. Lewis is a favorite, along with the *Magic Tree House* series by Mary Pope Osborne. "We can't keep them in!" exclaims Kerrigan of the *Tree House* books. *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* by Roald Dahl is also a popular choice, which Kerrigan believes is partly because of the movie in theaters starring Johnny Depp.

Another choice affected by the Hollywood books-to-movie craze is Lemony Snicket's *A Series of Unfortunate Events*, said Kerrigan. This is 11-year-old Sani McLaughlin's favorite. The Andover resident also enjoys action stories, and is currently reading *On the Far Side of the Mountain*, by Jean Craighead George. "It's good," he says of the required summer reading book.

Unlike Sani, Tyler Lacroix tends to lean more towards sports books. The 10-year-old hockey player loves stories about his preferred sport - hockey. His favorite books include *Million Dollar Goal*, a hockey book, as well as *Jackie and Me*, about baseball Hall-of-Famer Jackie Robinson. Both books are written by Dan Gutman.

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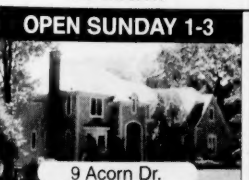


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# Housing deal runs through 2021

167 affordable units locked in, helping secure town control of issue

By Greta Cuyler

Monday's announcement that Andover will retain 167 units of primarily low-income, elderly affordable housing at Andover Commons apartments through 2021 means the town is one step closer to maintaining its 10 percent affordable housing mandate.

Communities where 10 percent or more of the housing stock has been deemed affordable by the state have significantly greater control over developers seeking to build Ch. 40B affordable housing.

John M. Corcoran & Co. announced it has reached an agreement with the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to put a 20-year deal in place, ending three years of negotiations. The deal ensures that all of Andover Commons' 167 units will remain affordable through 2021. In an unusual move, HUD agreed to make the agreement retroactive to 2001 and override the five-year Section 8 contract signed in 2001.

"I think this is a remarkable accomplishment," said Joan Duff, chairwoman of the Andover Housing Partnership Committee.

Monday's announcement puts to rest any uncertainty over losing the affordable units on Railroad Street. The 167 one- and two-bedroom units represent nearly 20 percent of the town's total affordable housing units.

According to Rick High, president of the general partner that owns and operates Andover Commons, HUD offers only five- or 20-year affordable housing agreements. At the request of Corcoran, and with the support of the town, HUD agreed to make the 20-year agreement retroactive to 2001. Otherwise, all parties involved would have had to wait until 2006 to negotiate another agreement.

Timing was a concern, said High, because budget constraints could affect HUD's ability to fund 20-year affordable housing contracts in the

future. By locking in the 20-year deal now, Andover ensures preservation of Andover Commons' affordable housing for at least the next 16 years.

"The town's been very clear about what they wanted and very good about following up and keeping (Andover Commons) on the agenda," said High. "I don't think there's been one meeting where they haven't said 'What about Andover Commons?' It's to their credit that they've kept it on the agenda."

The announcement is good news for the town. Under the state's "anti-snob act," Andover is encouraged to keep 10 percent of all housing units as affordable housing. Falling below the 10 percent threshold makes the town vulnerable to developers challenging town zoning decisions to bring housing levels up to state guidelines.

The only affordable housing project units still up in the air are the 55 units at Riverview Commons. Those units, one-quarter of the 220 units at the

Bullfinch Drive complex, no longer have to be renewed at below market rate. An agreement between Corcoran and the town to offer those units at below-market price expired this year, and the town has been negotiating with Corcoran to keep the units affordable.

According to members of the Housing Partnership Association, the town is in discussions with the Preservation of Affordable Housing (POAH) to negotiate a purchase and sale agreement with Corcoran for the Riverview Commons property. Pending a successful resolution, Andover would not need to address major 40B unit losses until 2021, the year when Andover Commons' affordability deal comes up for renegotiation.

According to Lisa Schwarz, a senior planner for the town, the town could then concentrate on single units coming up for vacancy, rather than having to face larger, looming 40B developments trying to move into town.

## POLICE LOG

### INCIDENTS

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ter said the aircraft was known to them.

At 4:18 p.m., a resident reported fraudulent activity on a bank account.

At 7:19 p.m., a River Road resident reported someone had dumped a storage box on his front yard. Police said the chest was empty and removed it.

### BREAKS

Thursday, Aug. 4 - At 9:10 p.m., a resident of Belle Isle Way reported his house was broken into.

### THEFTS

Friday, Aug. 5 - At 12:41 p.m., a resident reported a PC card was stolen from his luggage.

Saturday, Aug. 6 - At 2:29 p.m., a resident reported finding two bicycles on the railroad tracks. Earlier an officer had been approached by two girls at the library who said their bicycles had been stolen. The bicycles were returned to the two girls.

Sunday, Aug. 7 - At 11:05 p.m., a resident reported their wallet was stolen at a local business.

p.m., a resident reported someone threw trash on his car.

Friday, Aug. 5 - At 5:45 p.m., a female reported being the victim of a road rage incident on River Road. She said the operator of the other vehicle threw an unknown object at her car, striking it.

Sunday, Aug. 7 - At 9:01 a.m., a Juniper Road resident reported her vehicle was broken into sometime last Saturday.

At 1:23 p.m., a Beacon Street resident reported a vehicle break.

### AUTO ACCIDENTS

Thursday, Aug. 4 - At 8:04 a.m., a Longwood Drive resident reported his car was hit and damaged during the night.

At 7:37 p.m., a car crashed into a utility pole on Lowell Street, causing the structure to snap. Utility companies were notified.

Saturday, Aug. 6 - At 12:52 p.m., a motorist was injured after hitting a deer on Union Street. The Elm Street Garage gave the motorist a ride home and the deer was removed by the animal control officer.

### VANDALISM

There were five reports of vandalism this week.

### AUTO INCIDENTS

Thursday, Aug. 4 - At 11:51

COMPILED BY RITA SAVARD

## Column: Remembering dad's pharmacy

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itself in the contents.

As the fellow's complexion turned to green, the doctor started laughing so hard tears came to his eyes.

One of the strangest things that happened at the store actually happened outside. Late one afternoon, a powerful thunderstorm rolled in and my father stepped out the door and under the awning to watch it along with several kids who were hanging around. A bolt of lightning struck the flagpole at the top of the Town Hall and it toppled to the other side of the building away from

where my father was watching. He heard the crunch as it struck a parked car and a couple of the startled kids rather sadistically chuckled. My father commented that some unfortunate person had just lost some money and went back to his work.

About five minutes later, halfway through a prescription, he remembered where he'd parked his car and ran out. Sure enough, folks, you guessed it: One flag pole through my father's car roof.

Bill Dalton is a former Andover selectman and Town Meeting moderator who now writes from Austin, Texas.

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